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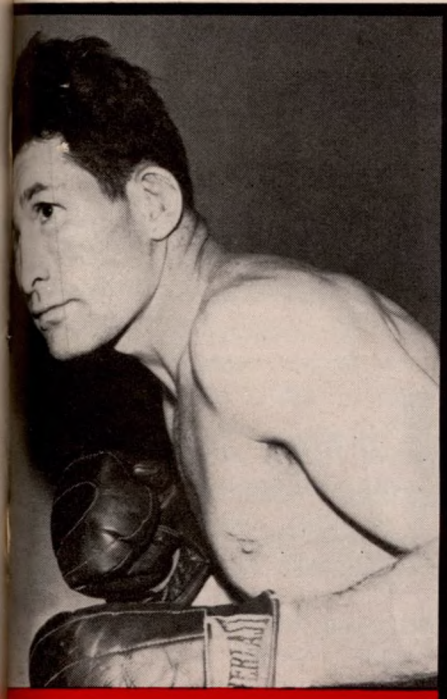

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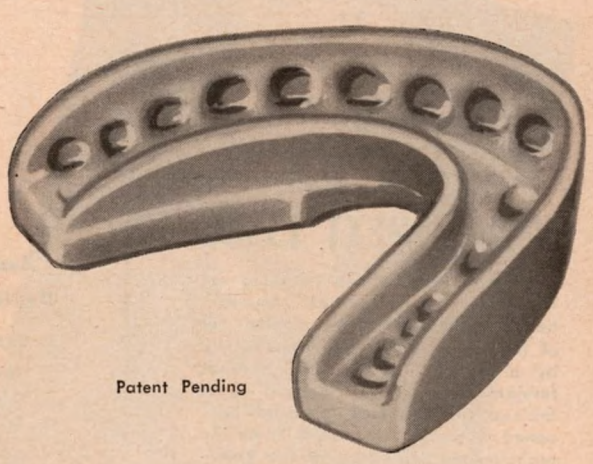

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Under a blasting and battering unknown in modern times, American heavyweights have been toppled out of their high ratings and complacency by a sudden surge on the part of foreign fighters. What brought about this sudden revolution? What has happened to what once seemed to be the unchallenged supremacy of the American fighter? Read the startling truth in the next issue of the panic that has gripped American boxing as the foreign invasion touches our shores.

This Comeback Business is a strange one, as Al Buck tells you in the December Ring. Some few make it while others have good sense not to try. They never come back, wrongly the saying goes, and so the lure is always there for former champions and rated fighters past their prime who try, and try, and try.

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The Indian Sign is on some fighters as far as a particular opponent is concerned. Be he champ or chump, once the Indian Sign marks him, all the fighting in the world won't help him beat a fifth-rater. Jersey Jones tells you why as he recalls boxing's most famous cases of jinxed fighters.

Sonny Liston, Brian London, Gerald Gray, boxing's young, outstanding fighters come from far and near and The Ring keeps you up to date on them with short biographies that tells you all you want to know about fiighters who may be Tomorrow's Champs.

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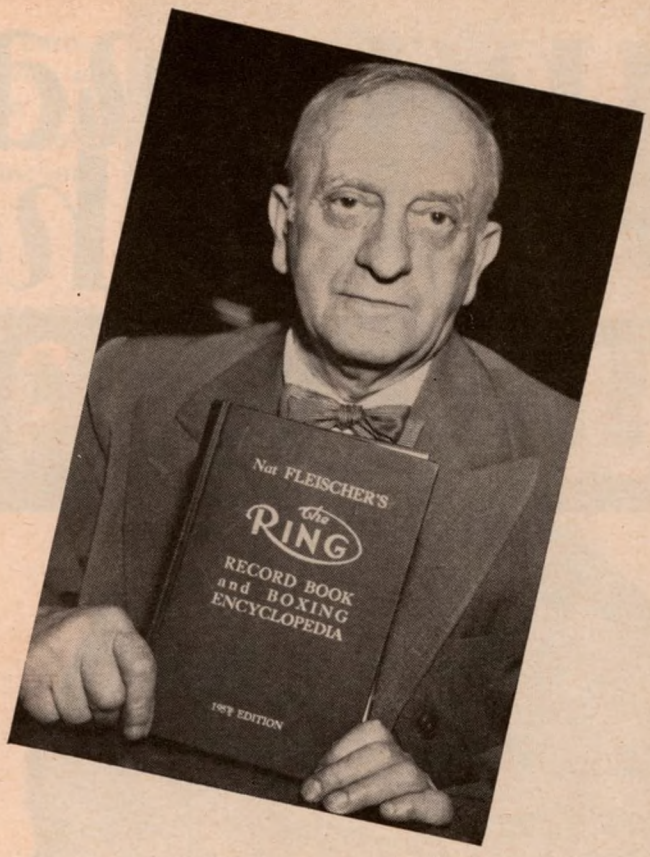

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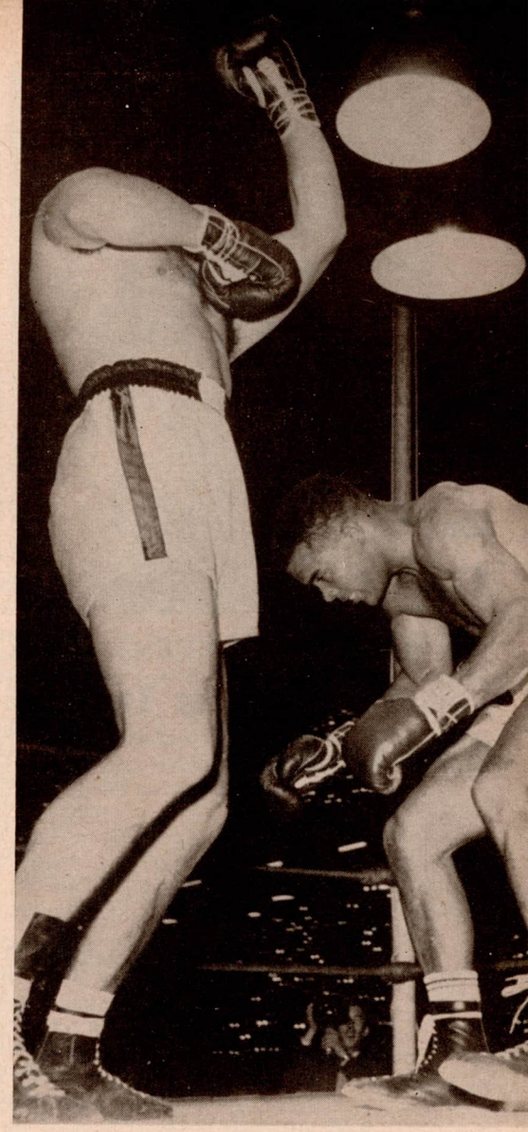

Ingemar Johansson, left, undefeated European heavyweight champion, misses with a left after backing Eddie Machen into the ropes. Johansson leaped into the fistic spotlight by his one round knockout over Machen at Gotenborg, Sweden.

By DAN DANIEL

WHAT a fine kettle of fish in our heavyweight division! Eddie Machen knocked out in one round by Sweden's Ingemar Johansson. Zora Folley decisioned by Henry Cooper, who isn't even the British champion, that title being the property of Brian London. Willie Pastrano stopped in five by London.

And now, no defense of the world title by Floyd Patterson during the indoor season!

After Patterson's luke-warm showing against Roy Harris, both the champion and Cus D'Amato, his manager, deplored his stable-worn performance and announced that there would be more action from then on.

What has happened? How many matches has Patterson taken on? When is he going to fight again? How can boxing prosper when the heavyweight champion continues to be handicapped by the Reluctant Manager? In short, with D'Amato at the helm, whither are we drifting, and for how much longer?

The helplessness of the heavyweight situation was stressed in a report by Ned Irish, of the New York Garden, concerning his negotiations with Emil Lence and, by proxy, D'Amato, for Lence's renting the arena for a fight between Patterson and Nino Valdes, a respectable veteran who, it is believed, would threaten Floyd's title not much more than it was jeopardized by Harris.

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Irish came all the way down from the usual 25 percent charge for use of the Garden to a mere 10. Julius Helfand, chairman of the New York Commission, exerted every ounce of his official influence and persuasion.

And then came the Gillette people with an offer of $300,000 for the television privileges of a Patterson-Valdes fight, a far larger sum than the fight warranted. And still D'Amato did not budge from his position, still Cus refused to let Lence sign the papers with the Garden.

Irish revealed that his talks with Lence started last June. *"Lence told me that D'Amato wanted October 20,"* Ned said. *"I also offered October 27, both dates on Mondays, which would permit a closed circuit TV show. I also offered Tuesday dates.*

"Later I offered December 5 and 12. But it soon became evident to me that D'Amato never had had any intention of letting Patterson fight in the Garden with anybody at any time, and that he had been hoaxing even his pal Lence.

"During the negotiations, ended as of October 15, I was told that Irving Kahn, of Tele-Prompter, which had the television rights for the Patterson-Harris fight, wanted to discuss with Gillette taking over the Gillette sponsorship of our Friday night boxing shows in the Garden.

"I told Lence that our contract with Gillette would last through June, and that we got $24,500 per show. I don't know what Gillette told D'Amato. But I am sure our relationship with the razor people will continue."

VALDES NEVER NAMED DEFINITELY BY LENCE

Asked if the name of Valdes had been mentioned definitely by Lence, Irish replied, *"To the best of my recollection, no. I was negotiating for a fight with Mr. X.*

"When I set 25 percent as a fair fee, I told Lence the Garden would pay all the overhead, ticket office help, cost of tickets and other expenses which would come to at least $7,500. But Lence continued to call the price exorbitant even when I cut it to 20 percent.

"On September 12, Helfand appealed to me to make further concessions. I then cut the rental charge to 10 percent. But Lence could not deliver the fight even for that ridiculously low charge. In short, there never had been any match behind Lence's talks.

"When I told Lence that Tom Gallery, of NBC, on behalf of Gillette, had made the $300,000 offer, he came back

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By LESTER BROMBERG

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LEW JENKINS GIVES HIMSELF HELL

One Of Boxing's Most Controversial And Colorful Figures . . . . . From Cut-up To Solid Citizen

ONE must go back to the lustier days of boxing to find a more thoroughbred boxing enthusiast and soldier than the sunken-eyed Texas maverick, Lew Jenkins. He's a rootin'-tootin' guy who once he arrived from Camp Ord in California to the camp of Roy Harris in Arrowhead where Roy was training for his world heavyweight championship fight with Floyd Patterson, put new life into both the camp and the publicity and did much to aid the success of the show.

Fighting both with gloves or fists or weapons of war is a lark to him. Too bad Bob Ripley isn't around today to take the case history of the former lightweight champion of the world, a war hero with many decorations who after serving with the U. S. Cavalry, Infantry and then the Coast Guard, is now rounding out his military career as an instructor of draftees. Ripley could weave the story into an excellent believe-it-or-not picture.

Telling of his adventurous career during the last war, he attracted the attention of a Hollywood movie director in the Arrowhead camp who, interrupting the tale to which many visiting newspapermen were listening, remarked:

"Lew, you've got a great movie in that yarn. I'd like to make it."

"I've been in enough trouble without getting balled out by my superiors. I'm agraid you'll have to wait until I retire," said Lew with a broad grin.

Jenkins hated what he called the "Baby's Navy", the Coast Guard to which he was assigned in World War Two.

"I felt ashamed of myself when I'd put those brave kids into the water to wade their way ashore under heavy shelling of the enemy. I cried to see them fall dead in the water or get hit when they reached the beaches and that's why when my term of enlistment was over and I was honorably discharge, I rejoined my first love—the infantry.

"I'd admired those fellows in the infantry. Believe me, nobody loved the old dog faces more than I did, unless it was Ernie Pyle (the war correspondent later killed in the Pacific). I swore that, sooner or later, I'd get in there and fight alongside of them."

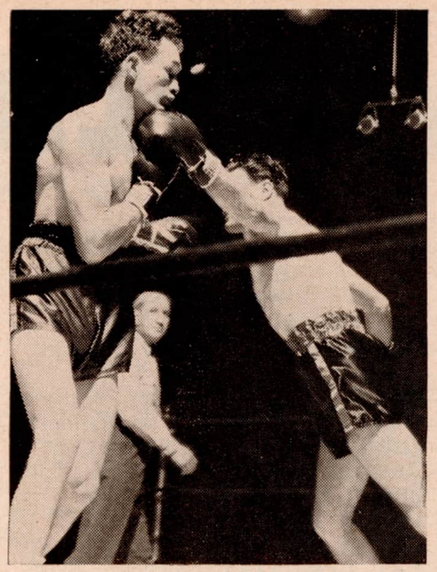
When the Japanese surrendered, Jenkins obtained his discharge from the Coast Guard with the rating of Boatswain's Mate, Second Class. *"They must have known I was an infantryman at heart, they couldn't have given me a lower rate,"* he said.

Three months, 21 days after he was separated, Lew volunteered for his second hitch in the army. He was with the Cavalry again, the First Cavalry, which actually was infantry. With the horses gone, cavalry duty amounted to foot soldering—and that thrilled him.

While at Camp Stoneman, near Pittsburgh, California, Jenkins got into an argument in a parking lot with a camp bookkeeper. It was rather a heated discussion but he wound up by making a date with the bookkeeper . . . her name was Lupie. Not too long thereafter the dark, curvesome Lupie became Mrs. Jenkins.

Lew went to Japan with the Second Division while his uncomplaining bride waited. Two years later, his enlistment over, he settled down in Philadelphia to make a home there. With Blinkie Palermo as his manager, he boxed often and made money.

Master Sgt. Lew Jenkins (left) former lightweight champ of the world, as he looked after distinguishing himself in the Korean War and being processed for return to the United States. Jenkins received the Silver Star for gallantry in action.



Jenkins (left) seen in his one-sided battle with Sammy Angott in which he lost his lightweight crown. *"I just didn't have it that night,"* said the former playboy now a down-to-earth citizen who doesn't smoke or drink.

He liked Philly and filed an application to join the police force. His sponsor for that job was a well-known judge, a longtime friend of his manager's.

"All of a sudden the judge died," Jenkins recounted. *"There went all my connections."*

Next he became a hillbilly singer. *"I had the finest voice you could imagine—for a horse or a hog,"* he pointed out.

His top number was 'Plain ol' Country Boy.' He growled out a verse:

Where I come from,
Opportunities were not so good.
We never had much money,
We did the best we could.
Maw doctored me for young'un-hood
With epsom salts and iod-een.
Made my trousers of old tow line
And my suspenders out of plain tree bark.

He won a following of sorts as a singer but the call of the infantry was unabated.

"Lupie knew it too," Lew was saying. *"She had little Lew, born in 1948, but she wasn't standing in my way, she's always been an Army girl."*

The Korean mess bubbled over and Jenkins couldn't stand being on the sidelines any longer. He joined up in June, 1951, at his rank of previous discharge, staff sergeant.

Soon Lew was in Korea and, in his words, *"this wasn't what I'd seen in Europe, a war between armies, this was a battle for survival against nature as well as an enemy. You forever were going up and down hills, through river beds . . . . you were always on guard, you wouldn't go 50 yards to a stream for a canteen of water without bringing along a burp gun."*

Jenkins' outfit, made up mainly of green youngsters without World

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Front row—left, we see Lew Jenkins in boxing togs as a member of the Coast Guard, stationed in North Africa. Next to him is Father McCarthy, a chaplain who got up entertainment for the servicemen and at his right is Steve Roszina, a U. S. boxer, who was well known before World War II. When not in action Lew helped to entertain the lads.

By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

FOR THE MONTH ENDING OCTOBER 22ND.

HEAVYWEIGHTS

(Over 175 pounds)

World Champion

FLOYD PATTERSON, Brooklyn, N. Y.

1—**INGEMAR JOHANSSON,** Sweden
2—**NINO VALDES,** Cuba
3—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Arizona
4—**WILLIE PASTRANO,** New Orleans, La.
5—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Redding, Calif.
6—**ARCHIE MOORE,** San Diego, Calif.
7—**BRIAN LONDON,** England
8—**HENRY COOPER,** England
9—**SONNY LISTON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
10—**PAT McMURTRY,** Tacoma, Wash.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

(Not over 175 pounds)

World Champion

ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Calif.

1—**TONY ANTHONY,** New York, N. Y.
2—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
3—**YVON DURELLE,** Canada
4—**ERICH SCHOPPNER,** Germany
5—**MIKE HOLT,** South Africa
6—**SONNY RAY,** Chicago, Ill.
7—**YOLANDE POMPEY,** Trinidad, BWI.
8—**JESSE BOWDRY,** St. Louis, Mo.
9—**WILLI HOEPNER,** Germany
10—**JOHNNY HALAFIHI,** Tonga

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

(Not over 160 pounds)

World Champion

RAY ROBINSON, New York, N. Y.

1—**CARMEN BASILIO,** Syracuse, N. Y.
2—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
3—**JOEY GIARDELLO,** Philadelphia, Pa.
4—**ELLSWORTH (Spider) WEBB,** Chicago, Ill.
5—**HOLLY MIMS,** Washington, D. C.
6—**JOEY GIAMBRA,** San Francisco, Calif.
7—**GUSTAV SCHOLZ,** Germany
8—**CHARLEY HUMEZ,** France
9—**GENE ARMSTRONG,** Elizabeth, N. J.
10—**RORY CALHOUN,** White Plains, N. Y.

WELTERWEIGHTS

(Not over 147 pounds)

World Champion

VIRGIL AKINS, St. Louis, Mo.

1—**DON JORDAN,** Los Angeles, Calif.
2—**GARNET (Sugar) HART,** Philadelphia, Pa.
3—**GASPAR ORTEGA,** Mexico
4—**ISAAC LOGART,** Cuba
5—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
6—**DEL FLANAGAN,** St. Paul, Minn.
7—**GIL TURNER,** Philadelphia, Pa.
8—**VINCE MARTINEZ,** Paterson, N. J.
9—**GERALD GRAY,** Jamaica, BWI.
10—**MICKEY CRAWFORD,** Saginaw, Mich.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

(Not over 135 pounds)

World Champion

JOE BROWN, New Orleans, La.

1—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
2—**DUILIO LOI,** Italy
3—**DAVE CHARNLEY,** England
4—**CARLOS ORTIZ,** New York, N. Y.
5—**PAOLO ROSI,** New York, N. Y.
6—**JOHNNY BUSSO,** New York, N. Y.
7—**WILLIE TOWEEL,** South Africa
8—**BOBBY SCANLON,** San Francisco, Calif.
9—**JOE LOPES,** Sacramento, Calif.
10—**AL NEVAREZ,** Mexico

FEATHERWEIGHTS

(Not over 126 pounds)

World Champion

HOGAN (Kid) BASSEY, Nigeria

1—**DAVEY MOORE,** Springfield, Ohio
2—**PAUL JORGENSEN,** Port Arthur, Texas
3—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
4—**GRACIEUX LAMPERTI,** France
5—**MANOLO GARCIA,** Spain
6—**RICARDO GONZALES,** Argentina
7—**IKE CHESTNUT,** New York, N. Y.
8—**CHERIF HAMIA,** France
9—**SERGIO CAPRARI,** Italy
10—**WILLIE PEP,** Hartford, Conn.

BATAMWEIGHTS

(Not over 118 pounds)

World Champion

ALPHONSE HALIMI, France

1—**PIERO ROLLO,** Italy
2—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines
3—**MARIO D'AGATA,** Italy
4—**MANUEL ARMENTEROS,** Cuba
5—**JOSE LOPEZ,** Mexico
6—**JOE BECERRA,** Mexico
7—**KIYOSHI MIURA,** Japan
8—**EUGENE LeCOZANNET,** France
9—**AL ASUNCION,** Philippines
10—**HORACE (Boots) MONROE,** Los Angeles, Calif.

FLYWEIGHTS

(Not over 112 pounds)

World Champion

PASCUAL PEREZ, Argentina

1—**RAMON ARIAS,** Venezuela
2—**PONE KINGPETCH,** Thailand
3—**YOUNG MARTIN,** Spain
4—**DOMMY URSUA,** Philippines
5—**RAMON CALATAYUD,** Venezuela
6—**SADAO YAOITA,** Japan
7—**MARIO DeLEON,** Mexico
8—**CARLOS MIRANDA,** Argentina
9—**MASAJI (Lefty) IWAMOTO,** Japan
10—**MIMUN BEN ALI,** Spain

BRIAN LONDON AND HENRY COOPER SHARE HONORS AS FIGHTERS OF THE MONTH

BY stopping Willie Pastrano of New Orleans in their contest in England, Brian London, British Empire heavyweight champion, caused Willie to drop from his high post as a contender and moved himself into the rated ten for the first time. Pastrano, who lost only because the referee stopped the bout due to a cut above the eye, lost one place, down from third to fourth and London and gained the seventh post. Though defeated through the referee's action Pastrano's record is superior to that of London from whom he previously had gained a decision hence is ranked above Brian.

London by virtue of his victory and his rise to a rated position, shares The Ring's Fighter of the Month honors with his countryman, Henry Cooper who defeated Zora Folley of Arizona, in London.

Nino Valdes of Cuba has been raised from fourth to second and Alex Miteff, kayoed by Willi Besmanoff, has been eliminated to make way for London and Pat McMurtry replaced George Chuvalo in tenth place.

In the light heavyweight class, inactive Harold Johnson lost his high position as number one challenger to Tony Anthony, who though fighting heavyweights, has been clamoring, as was Johnson, for a shot at Moore's title. It is possible that Anthony may soon vacate the light heavyweight class and fight only among the heavies.

Inactive Chuck Spieser has been dropped from the rankings. Sonny Ray of Chicago, who kayoed Jesse Bowdry and beat Eddie Cotton, has joined the rated class and is listed sixth and Bowdry dropped from sixth to eighth.

Gustav Scholz of Germany, who won the European middleweight title by stopping Charley Humez, who may soon retire, has rejoined the world ratings in number seven post. Humez dropped from fourth to eighth with Spider Webb of Chicago up from fifth to fourth and Holly Mims of Washington, up from sixth to fifth. Joey Giambra is now ranked sixth, up a peg, and Gene Armstrong and Rory Calhoun each lost one position, Gene down to ninth and Rory to tenth. Yama Bahama was eliminated to make room for Scholz.

Del Flanagan of St. Paul, victor over Champion Virgil Akins in a non-title bout, rejoins the elite in sixth place. Rudell Stitch of Louisville, Ky., loser to Isaac Logart of Cuba, was eliminated to clear the way for Del.

Logart, who also drew with Gerald Gray of Jamaica, BWI., was upped from fifth to fourth with Gray retaining ninth spot, Ralph Dupas of New Orleans, winner over Gil Turner, advanced from sixth to fifth and Turner dropped from fourth to seventh. Idle Vince Martinez, dropped from seventh to eighth and Mickey Crawford went down from eighth to tenth.

Among the lightweights, Carlos Ortiz of New York, winner over Johnny Busso, has advanced from seventh to fourth place. He is on the way to London to fight Dave Charnley, rated above him, for Jack Solomon's closing show at the Harringay Arena.

Paolo Rosi of New York returned to action, kayoing undefeated Bobby Scanlon of San Francisco in three rounds, causing Scanlon to drop a peg in the ratings, from seventh to eighth. With Rosi now rated fifth.

Cherif Hamia of France, took another tumble due to inactivity and is now rated eighth in the feather class. He previously was rated seventh. He traded posts with Ike Chestnut of New York, victor over Jose Cotero.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHTS—Ernie Knox, Baltimore, Md.
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS—Don Deters, Detroit, Mich.
MIDDLEWEIGHTS—Dillard Jackson, Los Angeles, Calif.
WELTERWEIGHTS—Emile Griffith, New York, N. Y.
LIGHTWEIGHTS—Dick DiVornica, Syracuse, N. Y.
FEATHERWEIGHTS—Dick DiVola, Boston, Mass.
BANTAMWEIGHTS—Max Huerta, Mexico
FLYWEIGHTS—Ray Perez, Honolulu, T.H.

There are a number of changes in the bantam class due to the loss of the European championship by Mario D'Agata and the Orient crown by Leo Espinosa. D'Agata was defeated in fifteen rounds by Piero Rollo of Italy, in Cagliari, Sardinia, and Espinosa dropped his title to Kiyoshi Miura in Tokyo in twelve rounds.

Thus Rollo leaped into the top spot as world challenger for Halimi's crown and Espinosa, previously Number One, dropped to second place. D'Agata is in third, Manuel Armenteros who hasn't fought since early July dropped from second to fourth spot and Jose Lopez of Mexico, dropped one notch to fifth. Miura joins the rankings in seventh place with Eugene LeCozannet, dropped from seventh to eighth and Al Asuncion down from eight to ninth. Raul Macias, long inactive, has been dropped to make room for Miura.

French champion Robert Pollazon has retired and was removed from the flyweight choices, giving Mimum Ben Ali of Spain, a chance to gain a place. The Spaniard is listed tenth. Lefty Iwamoto of Japan, loser in a close battle to Number One rated Ramon Arias, has moved up from tenth to ninth position. Here are the month's leading results:

HEAVYWEIGHTS

British Champion Brian London stopped Willie Pastrano, 5.
Sonny Liston kayoed Frankie Daniels, 1.
George Chuvalo won vacant Canadian title kayoing James J. Parker, 1. Henry Cooper defeated Zora Folley, 10. Pat McMurtry outboxed George Chuvalo, 10.
Willi Besmanoff halted Alex Miteff, 1.
Archie McBride was stopped by light heavy Tony Anthony, 9. Bob Baker kayoed Waban Thomas, 4.
Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson returned to action and whipped Johnny Vick, 10. Alfredo Zuany defeated former champion Ezzard Charles, 10. Unbeaten Mino Bozzano stopped Franco Cavicchi, 8.
Alonzo Johnson outscored Shirley Pembleton, 10. Charlie Powell outslugged Bob Biehler, 10. Bert Whitehurst and Ben Wise drew, 8. Bob Woodall kayoed Cornelius Brown, 5.
Dan Hodge outpointed Art Norris, 10, and kayoed Maurice Green, 2. Cecil Gray bested Bob Coutu, 10. Larry Zernitz handed Len Kanthal his first loss, 8. Ernest Terrell kayoed Joe Memphill, 1, and Johnny Hobart, 1.
Rudy Watkins won from Nat Dixon, 6. Lee Williams kayoed Gene Purpall, 2. Dave Rent defeated Gorilla Gould, 8. Johnny Hayden beat Eddie Cato, 6.
Chubby Norris kayoed Tommy Black, 4. George Kennedy bested Leon Hatcher, 6. LaMar Clark kayoed Rusty Davis, 1.
Tom McNeely kayoed Eddie Walker, 1. Paul Bailey stopped Floyd Harris, 3.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Yolande Pompey lost to middleweight Dick Tiger, 10. Joe Dorsey defeated Tommy Sims, 6. Artie Towne won over Floyd McCoy, 8.
Burke Emery outscored Ricardo King, 8. Dick D'Orsi kayoed Sherman Dodd, 5. Von Clay won from Paul Wright, 6.
Yvon Durelle kayoed heavyweight Louis Jones, 2.
Tony Anthony halted heavyweight Archie McBride, 9.
Sonny Ray stopped Jesse Bowdry, 9, and outpointed Eddie Cotton, 10. Donnie Fleeman stopped Crowe Peele, 10.
Domenico Baccheschi won vacant Italian title by defeating Rocco Mazzola, 12. Massimo Zanaboni trounced Federico Frisco, 10.
Billy Hester won California state title beating Calvin Brad, 12. Brad also lost to Willie Gilbert, 10.
Burke Emery defeated Hank Mercer, 8. Billy Ryan kayoed Willie Wilson, 2, and Cardell Farmos, 8. Moses Walker defeated Ted Poole, 6. Artie Miller outscored Danny Logan, 8.
Charley Pavlis defeated Don Ward, 6. Jacques Bro lost to middleweight Leen Jansen, 10. Ernie (Bull) Hughes acquired vacant Australian title by stopping Sandy Assogna, 9. Eddie Wright disposed of Dave Mooney, 3.
Bob McKinney defeated Johnny Street, 6. Street defeated Walt Dowhal, 6. Joe Dorsey stopped Ike Stewart, 5. Roger Rouse kayoed Bob Peacock, 2, but drew with Cal Houston, 10.
Tommy Della Rocca kayoed Bobby Thomas, 4. Bobby Sand kayoed Dick Guerrero, 4. Joe Gunther kayoed Sammy Johnson, 2.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Gustav Scholz won European championship by stopping Charley Humez, 12. Bobby Boyd won from Jimmy Beecham, 10.
Yama Bahama kayoed Jesse Bogart, 10.
Eduardo Lausse defeated Andres Selpa, 10. Phil Moyer outboxed Paul Perkins, 10.
Charley Joseph stopped Joe Shaw, 7. Dutch Champion Leen Jansen outpointed light-heavyweight Jacques Bro, 10.
Hank Casey won California state title beating Neal Rivers, 12. Terry Downes won vacant British title stopping Phil Edwards, 13. Chebo Hernandez kayoed Mexican champ Alfonso Flores, 1.
Willie Vaughn beat Clive Stewart, 12. Sugar Boy Nando kayoed Hector Rodriguez, 7. Italo Scortichini regained Italian title by stopping Angelo Brisci, 3. Chico Vejar decisioned Frank Keating, 10.

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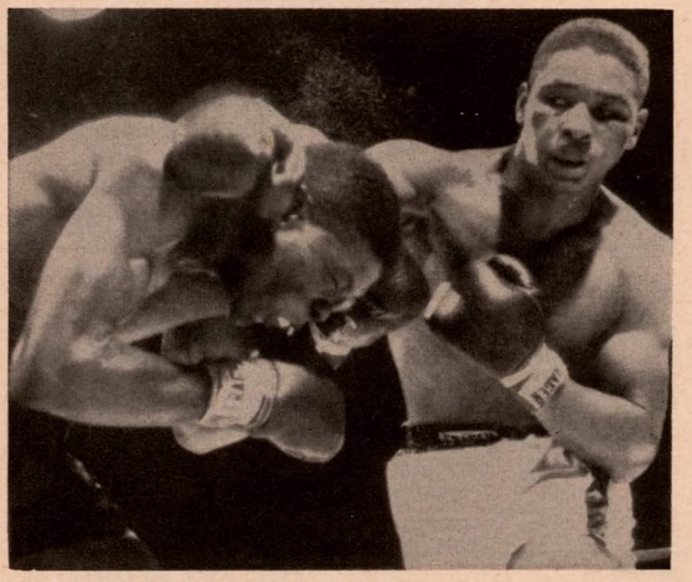
FIGHTS OF THE MONTH

DAVEY MOORE, right, vs KID ANAHUAC



SONNY RAY, left, vs JESS BOWDRY

FRANKIE RYFF, left, vs GALE KERWIN

THE stories behind the action pictures of the month. What are they?

A featherweight fight that drew a good gate in Los Angeles, was the rematch between the number one contender from Springfield, O., Davy Moore, who has found a home for himself on the West Coast and the popular switch-hitting Mexican, Kid Anahuac. A few months before, in Tijuana a riot took place after Moore was awarded the verdict since most of the fans thought that Anahuac had won. In the return bout there was no doubt as Davey's buzz-saw attack kept him in front from the start. He took the lead, held it and won by unanimous decision by a wide margin. Moore is hot on the trail of champion Hogan (Kid) Bassey for a title bout.

A new face in the light heavyweight class is Sonny Ray of Chicago, Ill. Ray moved into the main bout sector by scoring a nine round kayo over highly-touted Jesse Bowdry of St. Louis. Sonny was given this fight only because he had twice previously defeated Bowdry, the only losses on Jesse's record.

Ray seemed to have the Indian sign on Bowdry, who from the start, failed to show his true ability. He was over cautious and let Sonny take the play away from him.

Two weeks later, Ray turned in another good win by outpointing the veteran Eddie Cotton. Those triumphs have gained Sonny a place among the top ten and moved him into the title picture as he recorded his eighth and ninth straight victories.

Frankie Ryff, balding Bronx lightweight, who a few years ago appeared headed for the title only to run into a knock-out defeat by Larry Boardman and a run of cut eyes that caused him to retire temporarily and have an operation performed, continued his fine comeback by outboxing hard punching Gale Kerwin in a bloody bout in the Nation's Capitol. Ryff was too speedy for Gale who staged a desperate rally in the last two rounds that almost turned the tide for him, but it came too late and Ryff recorded his fifth straight win.

Duilio Loi, long European champion and top contender, appears to have slipped as he was hard pressed to retain

DUILIO LOI, right, vs MARIO VECCHIATO

his title against his countryman, Mario Vecchiato, whom he held to a draw in their Milan bout. Loi has not been too sharp in his recent fights. In some of his fights, the fans were displeased with the decisions in his favor. Mario, a newcomer, gained some fame last spring by beating Orlando Zulueta and now appears as one of the best youngsters in Europe among the lightweights.

Although retaining his crown, Loi lost his number one challengers post to southpaw Kenny Lane.

Welterweights were in the news prominently during the past month. The veteran St. Paul boxing master, Del Flanagan, moved back into the title picture to win a unanimous ten round decision over champion Virgil Akins in a non-title bout. The crafty Del, one of the more gifted boxers of the past decade, when in top condition, turned in one of the best fights of his career in outboxing the hard hitting champion before a $25,000 house in St. Paul.

Flanagan had hoped that his victory would gain him a title match with the champion, but Akins instead signed to meet the winner of the upcoming Don Jordan-Gasper Ortega rematch.

Jordan who has made one of the quickest advances in recent years in the welterweight class, gained the top rung as a challenger by winning a closely disputed verdict over Gasper Ortega in their fight at Portland, Oregon. Jordan, a shifty, boxer-puncher, who is an overstuffed lightweight, outscored the agressive Mexican, who previously had held the number one post. Now they will clash again, with the winner set to fight Atkins on December 5, the first title defense for Virgil.

Mickey Crawford, the speedy, but light hitting Saginaw, Mich. welter, who had turned in a win over Gil Turner and fought a draw with Ortega, tried to move into the middleweight class against the veteran spoiler, Ralph (Tiger) Jones but found the "Tiger" still had sharp teeth and was knocked out in the tenth round of their fight in Chicago Stadium.

Crawford, who is a good boxer, just did not have the stamina to hold off the steady attack of Jones, who by his

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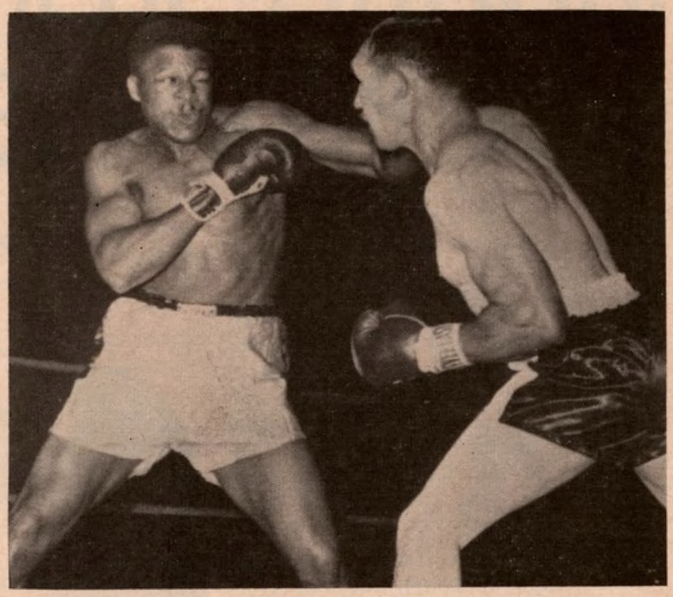
RALPH "TIGER" JONES, left, vs MICKEY CRAWFORD



GENE FULLMER, right, vs SPIDER WEBB

VIRGIL AKINS, left, vs DEL FLANAGAN

GASPAR ORTEGA, left, vs DON JORDAN

COWBOY HERO WHO MIGHT HAVE BEEN—GEORGE COURTNEY

By Ted Carroll

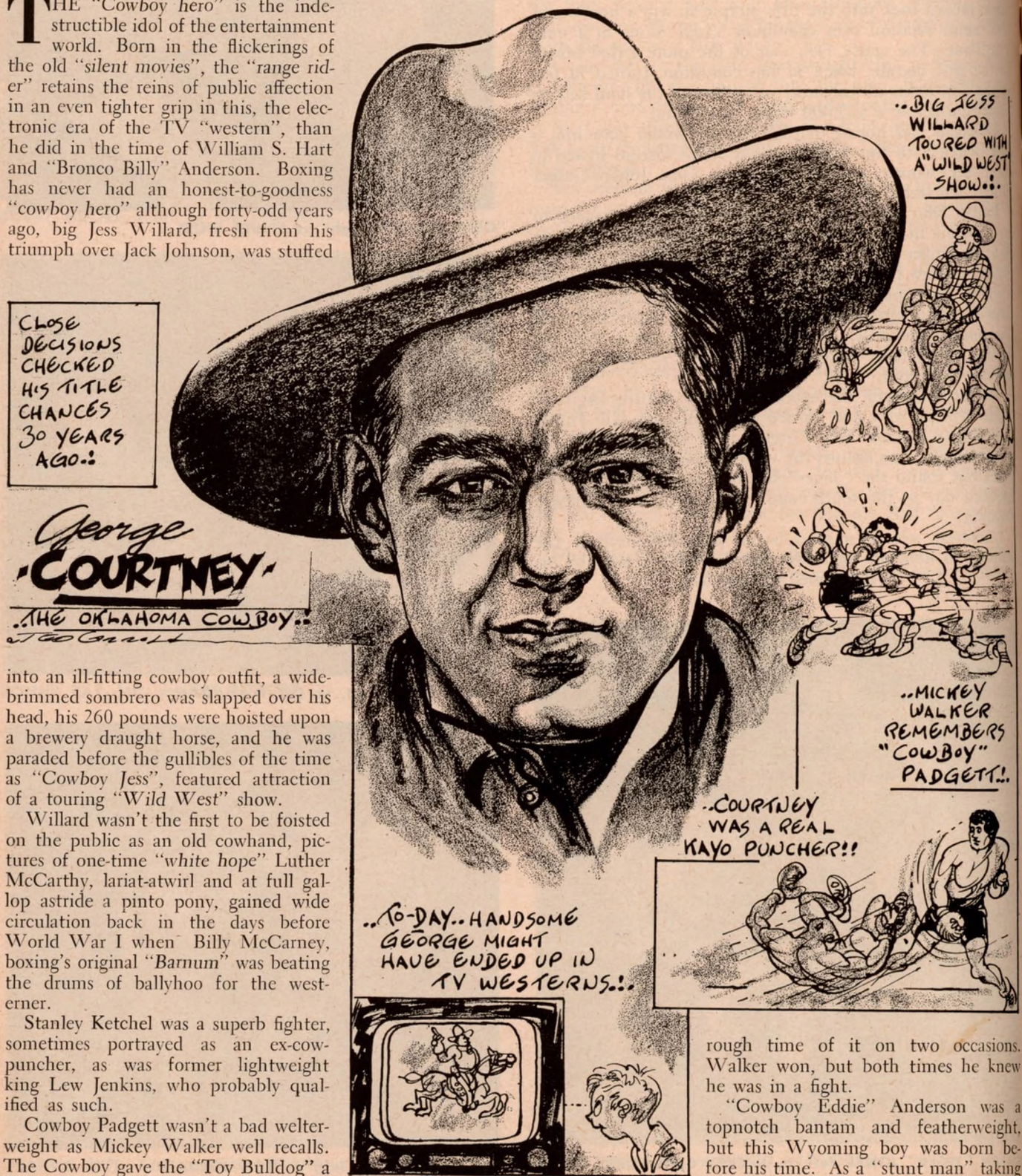
THE *"Cowboy hero"* is the indestructible idol of the entertainment world. Born in the flickerings of the old *"silent movies"*, the *"range rider"* retains the reins of public affection in an even tighter grip in this, the electronic era of the TV "western", than he did in the time of William S. Hart and "Bronco Billy" Anderson. Boxing has never had an honest-to-goodness *"cowboy hero"* although forty-odd years ago, big Jess Willard, fresh from his triumph over Jack Johnson, was stuffed into an ill-fitting cowboy outfit, a wide-brimmed sombrero was slapped over his head, his 260 pounds were hoisted upon a brewery draught horse, and he was paraded before the gullibles of the time as *"Cowboy Jess"*, featured attraction of a touring *"Wild West"* show.

Willard wasn't the first to be foisted on the public as an old cowhand, pictures of one-time *"white hope"* Luther McCarthy, lariat-atwirl and at full gallop astride a pinto pony, gained wide circulation back in the days before World War I when Billy McCarney, boxing's original *"Barnum"* was beating the drums of ballyhoo for the westerner.

Stanley Ketchel was a superb fighter, sometimes portrayed as an ex-cowpuncher, as was former lightweight king Lew Jenkins, who probably qualified as such.

Cowboy Padgett wasn't a bad welterweight as Mickey Walker well recalls. The Cowboy gave the "Toy Bulldog" a rough time of it on two occasions. Walker won, but both times he knew he was in a fight.

"Cowboy Eddie" Anderson was a topnotch bantam and featherweight, but this Wyoming boy was born before his time. As a "stunt man" taking



"prop" falls battling the hero in TV westerns he would have been in his true element.

Knockdowns—of varying legitimacy—were frequent in Anderson's appearances, as Cowboy Eddie, one of the busiest fighters of his time, and a specialist in making home town favorites look good on their own grounds, had a strong flair for the dramatic in the ring. For all of that he was a fine boxer and a real contender in two classes from 1922 to 1929.

Cowboy Reuben Shank, Denver welterweight blew into New York some years ago, but was speedily "hog-tied and branded" in the big town, when Sugar Ray Robinson flattened him in two rounds in Madison Sq. Garden back in 1942.

COURTNEY HEADS LIST OF TOP COWBOY RINGMEN

Probably the closest thing to a pugilistic "cowboy hero" to ever come along was George Courtney the "Oklahoma Cowboy" of a generation ago.

Were Courtney around today, he would probably have been claimed by TV for he was the perfect stereotype of the western star. He was as handsome as any of them, with regular features, square jaw, pleasant smile and coal black hair. He was equally well known as "Handsome George" which he certainly was, even if the "cowboy" appellation might have been somewhat synthetic.

George Courtney was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He was one quarter Indian and with a reverse turn of fortune's wheel, might have been a world's champion, since at his best he was a real knockout puncher with boxing skill to boot. After making a reputation back in Oklahoma as a high school football star, and all-around athlete, Courtney, son of an ex-fighter and one of four brothers, showed up in New York under the wing of Paddy Mullins, the old Brooklyn saloon keeper, then also guiding the courses of Dark Menace Harry Wills and middleweight champion Mike O'Dowd.

Courtney was something special from the very start. In 1925 in preliminaries and semi-finals around the metropolitan district, he won 13 of his 14 fights, losing only to our old friend Maxie Rosenbloom, who in those days was no "Slapsie Maxie" but a rough, tough, free swinging battler.

Armed with a right hand punch which he claimed had been taught him by old Sam M'Vey back in Oklahoma, the good looking westerner really hit his stride in 1926. Frank Moody, the Welsh middleweight was highly thought of in those days, but after Courtney first defeated then kayoed him, it looked like the Oklahoman couldn't miss the middleweight title.

K. O. PHIL KAPLAN WAS COURTNEY'S LEADING RIVAL

Courtney's great rival in those days was K.O. Phil Kaplan, a New Yorker managed by "Big Bill" Duffy, who was advancing step by step along with Handsome George through the ranks of the middleweight division. The Duffy outfit, a powerful force in boxing during the Prohibition Era, always backed its boys heavily, and since Mullins himself was of like habit, both Kaplan-Courtney matches were big betting affairs.

The issue between them was never really decided, nor did any money change hands, as both bouts had "foul" endings, which kicked up quite a fuss along the boxing beat at that time. Kaplan was called winner of the first set-to on a foul in 1926, and Courtney gained the verdict in like manner a year later. Following this controversial clash in 1927, Courtney resumed his winning drive, kayoing among others, promising Jerseyite Abie Bain, rugged veteran "Italian Joe" Gans, and Harry Martone, before turning up in his home town of Tulsa where he handled two heavier foes with little trouble late in 1927.

Although Courtney was invincible against the second flight contenders, fortune did not smile upon him when he opposed the top liners as in the case of Rene De Vos whom he met in Philadelphia on Feb. 6, 1928.

Courtney had not actually lost a decision in three years and this was a crucial point in his career. The Belgian De Vos, European middleweight champion, was at the time one of the best fighters in the world, tough, game, and smart. After ten bitterly contested rounds, during which the hard hitting Courtney kept his dynamic right hand cocked but couldn't bulls-eye his kayo wallop on the cagy continental boxer, the decision went to De Vos, although there were many dissenters who favored Courtney.

In an attempt to regain the ground lost to De Vos, Courtney agreed to face the feared Jack McVey, who had seen his best days, but was still avoided by most of the middleweight contenders. Although from a state with much Southern tradition, Courtney, oddly enough, seemed to show a preference for fighting Negro boxers, which was unusual for those times. Courtney beat M'Vey with surprising ease, flooring the clever Harlem boy while doing so.

MET SEVERE SETBACK IN DISPUTED CONTEST WITH DAVE SHADE

Courtney's next fight against a "name" opponent was the one in which had he enjoyed the favor of the Goddess of Chance, ring history might have taken an entirely different turn.

On June 15, 1928 he met Dave Shade, then the leading contender for the middleweight title at Coney Island. For some reason the men hated each other, and throughout the contest exchanged insults and caustic cracks. The decision in Shade's favor brought forth roars of disapproval from an unbelieving audience. The press men present were heavily in support of Courtney, most of them giving him seven of the ten rounds. When Shade's hand was raised, Courtney's chances of forcing the issue of a title fight vanished with the echoes of the announcer's call.

Shaken up by this unwarranted setback, Courtney now having difficulty making the middleweight limit, invaded the light heavyweight class following a repeat victory over M'Vey in Cleveland. He did very well, knocking out Wilson Yarbo, Charley Bellanger, and Paul Swiderski all good fighters, in succession.

With the hex haunted middleweight class behind him, it now appeared that Courtney was to escape his jinx in the heavier class. It was not to be. Tiger Jack Payne, a Leo P. Flynn entry, loomed on the light heavyweight horizon as a solid threat. Payne and Courtney met on February 21, 1929, in the old St. Nicks Arena in New York and after a roughhouse, "everything goes," brawl the decision again went against Courtney.

For the remainder of 1929, Courtney fought very well knocking out Nando Tassi, Tom Kirby, and Oklahoma's rival "cowboy", Babe M'Corgary in Tulsa. He made it three in a row over M'Vey, beat Matt Adgie and Billy Jones, but another of the numerous foul fiascoes which cluttered his career cost him a match with Buffalo's Lou Scozza.

SUFFERED FIRST KAYO AT HANDS OF AN UNKNOWN

Early in 1930, Courtney beat tough Joe Banovic in the Garden but took a bad body beating from the upstate New York iron man. Edged out of decisions by ranking contenders and plagued by "foul" endings, Courtney suffered the first knockout of his career at the hands of an unheralded fighter known as "One Punch" Williams, who had been picked as a soft touch for him in Holyoke. Toying with his inexperienced foe, Courtney got careless and was counted out in five rounds on April 28, 1930.

Paddy Mullins had gone to glory and Bobby North had taken over the Oklahoman. In the remaining two years of his career, Courtney, although now on the "sunset trail", scored two notable victories over Denver George Manley and Al Gainer, both good lightheavies of the time, but knockouts

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Georges Carpentier, European champion, whose manager, Francois Decamps, accepted $1000 weight forfeit but failed to file protest on Klaus' claim to world honors.

Was Klaus' Claim to Middleweight Crown Justified?

Did Carpentier win title though he lost on a foul?

By LEON SEE

Frank Klaus who claimed world middleweight title after stopping Carpentier although he scaled three pounds over the class limit at weigh-in time.

(This is another chapter in the colorful memoirs of the noted French promoter and manager, who popularized boxing in France and brought Primo Carnera to America.)

IN my last installment I told how an obscure Whitechapel fighter might have been declared the heavyweight champion of the world. In this one, I recite the details of the famous twenty rounds battle between Frank Klaus and Georges Carpentier to show how the American's claim to recognition as successor to Stanley Ketchel was without reason. Though Klaus was recognized in some boxing centers as world champion, it wasn't until after he had won a foul in the fifteenth round from Billy Papke in their Paris contest, that he clinched his claim and became generally recognized as king of the division.

After Stanley Ketchel's death, in 1910, the middleweight title was vacant. Two men claimed it—Frank Klaus and Billy Papke.

Georges Carpentier was the unquestionable champion of Europe, so it was a "natural", mostly for France, to oppose the French idol to the best American middleweight for the title.

Francois Descamps, Carpentier's manager, was eager for the bout and he asked me if the contest could not be promoted in Paris. I was agreeable, but who was the opponent to be? Klaus or Papke? Each was a strong contender and had many supporters.

The latter had been defeated recently by Cyclone Johnny Thompson, by Bob Moha and by Frank Mantell, while Klaus was undefeated. Hence I decided to cable my friend George Engel, Klaus' manager, terms for a title bout. We easily came to terms. I thought it a good idea to stage the championship at Dieppe, a fashionable sea-side resort in Normandy on the occasion of the Grand Prix de l'Automobile which was sure to attract tens of thousands of sportsmen and Engel and Descamps had no objection.

Engel and Klaus caught the first boat over. The only point to discuss before signing contracts was the question of the number of rounds. Engel, very wisely, insisted on twenty, well knowing that Carpentier, who was only eighteen years old, could hardly be expected to last such a distance against a seasoned fighter, one of the toughest that ever stepped in a ring.

Carpentier was a wonderful sharpshooter. His straight right had put to sleep most of his opponents but he was in more sense than one a "one-man puncher." His bones had not set yet definitely and his best weapon was fragile. That's why I figured 20 rounds too much but left it to the managers to decide.

I witnessed about seventy of Georges' fights and I don't remember any one of his opponents not having taken at least one of his lightning rights just on what the British call "the button."

In fact, I came to the conclusion that there were three

kinds of opponents for Glorious Georges—the opponents who took his punch on the jaw, went down and remained there, such as Bombardier Wells, Joe Beckett, Ted Kid Lewis among many more; those who took his right on the jaw, and got up before the count of ten, and those who took his right on the jaw . . . but forgot to go down.

The latter were mostly his American opponents who seem made of tougher material. One must remember that even the great Jack Dempsey remarked that he was surprisingly shaken by Georges' right, just once.

But to come back to 1912. Being the promoter, it was not for me to put Descamps wise about the dangers of Engel's suggestion. All I could hint was that a 15 round contest would draw just as well as one disputed over 20. Descamps, after very unwisely accepting the longer distance objected to my criticisms: "Georges is now a full grown middleweight and he can hit much harder than before. He'll knock Klaus out in a couple of rounds. Don't worry about the longer distance," he said.

Accepting the 20 rounds distance was his first error of management. The second was the weight forfeit.

When the question of weight forfeit was discussed, Engel suggested 5,000 francs (a thousand dollars at the time) and Descamps, who knew that his fare who was growing every day, might have some difficulty in coming down to the weight, readily accepted. He did not even give a thought to the fact that it might be Frank who might find it harder still to come down to the limit. In fact, Descamps insisted on the forfeit, thinking all the time that Carpentier would easily make the required weight and he and Georges would pick up an easy $1,000.

His idea was that if Carpentier came in over the class limit, 5,000 francs wouldn't matter much considering the purse. He little realized that clever George Engel came exactly to the same conclusion. Once more I had nothing to say when the contracts were signed.

Carpentier did his training at his usual quarters, Camp Manitot, while Klaus did his at Dieppe in order to get climatized with the sea-side air. I remember him running backwards on the beach, punching as he retreated. The "Dieppois" wondered who was the 'lunatic.'

I visited both camps several times accompanied by newspapermen and felt rather anxious when I learned a few days before the fight, that Carpentier was still 5 pounds overweight. He looked pale, his face was drawn, he seemed on the verge of staleness.

"He'll do the weight alright," said Descamps, offering drinks to the scribes, under the imploring eyes of poor Georges.

When I visited Klaus, the difference was striking. With his broad shoulders and his square jaw, he looked the picture of health.

"He looks heavy to me," I told Engel. "Don't worry" was the answer, the same as Descamps said.

The great day came. The contest was held in the afternoon. Weighing-in took place at 10 a.m.

Carpentier appeared very thin and drawn when he stepped on the scale. He scaled exactly the limit.

Then Klaus took his place, and I thought I could detect a wink in his eye. The official in charge announced: "three pounds overweight."

"You've got to lose three pounds before four o'clock" shouted Descamps.

"Or hand you five thousand francs" said Engel who was chewing his everlasting unlit cigar. "Here they are! Here's your money, We stay at this weight," he snapped.

At the time, Carpentier's manager could have spoken, but he remained silent, dumbfounded. Little did he dream that Engel would pull off that trick.

The referee was my late and very dear friend Emile Maitrot, who was killed three years later in Champagne.

At last the contestants were face to face. During the first three rounds, Carpentier hit Klaus accurately on the jaw several times. Frank Klaus told me later: "I certainly felt those punches. He must have hurt his hand!"

Carpentier soon understood that all hopes of a victory by K.O. had to be abandoned. He could, however, still win on points. In fact he was winning every round by a wide margin at least until the twelfth.

Then ruggedness, experience, began to tell against overtraining and youth. George Engel saw that the Frenchman was weakening and he told Frank to step on the gas.

From then on, Klaus won every round, but at the end of the fifteenth Carpentier was not only still on his feet and gamely defending himself but still far ahead on points. Had the fight been over in 15 rounds, Carpentier would have been the unquestioned champion of the world, since no foreign commission had discussed the validity of the contest.

Klaus would have lost both on the scale and in the ring.

But there were still five long rounds to go. Would Carpentier have lasted to the end?

I am quite convinced of it and Georges himself confirmed the fact to me many times later.

"It's Francois who lost the fight," he kept repeating.

Would the referee have declared Carpentier the winner if he had been on his feet at the end of the contest?

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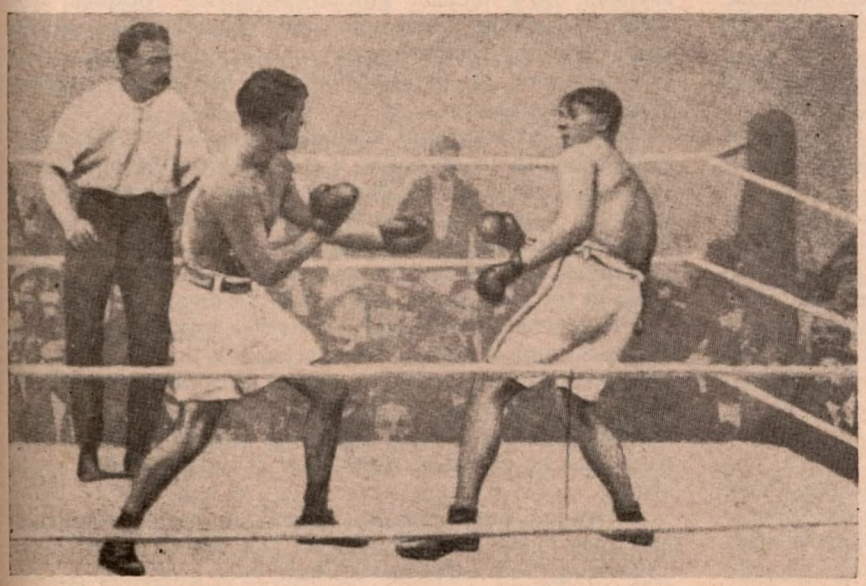
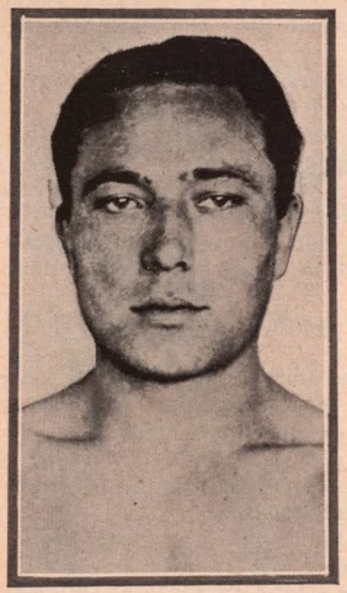


Scene in Klaus vs. Carpentier bout advertised in Europe as world championship contest. Carpentier was disqualified in the nineteenth round. Americans didn't recognize Klaus as champion until after he beat Billy Papke on a foul in 15 rounds in Paris a year later.



Erminio Spalla, who led the rush of European heavyweights to America following World War I. Although he never attained the status of a serious title contender, Spalla was tough and colorful and he helped to arouse the interest of Italy in boxing.

By JERSEY JONES

THE FOREIGN LEGION

Johansson's Success Recalls Alien Heavies Who Made Good in American Competition

IT seems strange to look over the current ratings of The Ring and see an "alien," who has never fought professionally in the United States, listed as No. 1 challenger for the world heavyweight championship. In fact, this is the first time anything of the sort has happened since The Ring initiated the custom of rating fighters thirty-three years ago.

Non-Yanks have occupied the No. 1 spot in the heavyweight contenders list before this—notably Max Schmeling of Germany and Nino Valdes of Cuba—but they earned that recognition in United States' rings.

To be elevated to such a lofty estate without having been seen in action beyond the territorial limits of Europe qualifies Ingemar Johansson as a unique personality in this rugged fist-fighting trade.

The 26-year-old Swede, unbeaten in twenty previous starts, and holder of the European title, established his status as World Champion Floyd Patterson's leading rival by his stunning one-round knockout of the visiting American, Eddie Machen, in Gothenburg.

Johansson, so far, hasn't been given much to traveling in his quest of pugilistic glory and its attendant financial returns. As an amateur, Ingemar did a fair amount of bouncing around Europe, and he made one brief trip to the United States in 1951 as a member of a European squad which competed against American Golden Glovers in Chicago. On that occasion Johansson knocked out an Ernest Fann in the second round.

INGEMAR A HOME BOY

Since turning professional late in 1952, Johansson hasn't done much straying from his native Sweden. He has become such a tremendous attraction in Sverige that he finds it much more convenient and profitable to do his fighting at home. Where else in the world could he expect to draw 55,000 customers and the equivalent of $280,000 for meeting an Eddie Machen?

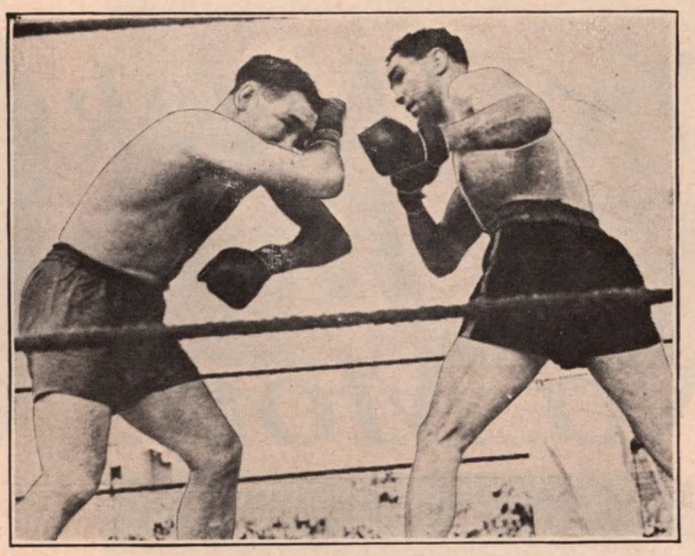
Of Johansson's twenty-one outings in the money ranks, eighteen have been in Sweden. His three expeditions away from home were in 1953 when he ferried across to Copenhagen, Denmark, to beat Erik Jensen; in 1955 when he journeyed to Dortmund, Germany, to dispose of Gunter Nurnberg, and in 1956 when he travelled to Bologna, Italy, to knock Franco Cavicchi loose from the European title.

Johansson also made a trip to New York for a few weeks in 1955, but not for professional purposes. He was merely a visitor on a holiday. His adviser, Eddie Ahlquist, who combines boxing promotions with operating one of the largest printing establishments in Sweden, had some business to attend to in New York and he brought Ingemar along for company.

For the sake of world boxing in general, and the heavyweight division in particular, it is to be fervently hoped that Johansson is as good a fighter as his record would seem to indicate. There's nothing like the "international touch" to enliven interest in the big 'uns, and a European with championship qualifications would represent a much-needed "shot in the arm" to the rather woeful heavyweight division.

The generally poor quality of today's heavyweights seems to be universal in scope. There certainly is no Jack Dempsey, Gene Tunney or Joe Louis among the current American entries, and once productive lands such as Europe, South America and Australia are struggling along with talent that could best be described as ordinary, if not downright mediocre.

There is a vast difference, indeed, in boxing conditions prevailing in the eras following the two World Wars. From an exciting feast in the first we have been experiencing a de-



Two European invaders, Paulino Uzcudun (left) of Spain and Max Schmeling of Germany, battled it out in a New York ring for a chance at the vacant world championship. Schmeling outpointed Uzcudun in 15 rounds and went on to meet the American entry, Jack Sharkey, for the title.

pressing famine in the second.

TIMES HAVE CHANGED

The first War was responsible for a tremendous boom in the sport throughout the world. Boxing activities among the American, British and French troops helped to popularize glove-tossing in Europe and the contagion spread to South America and other sectors where boxing had been previously unknown or lightly regarded.

For two decades, from 1921 through 1940, heavyweights were popping up in wholesale lots all over the global landscape. Since opportunity in their own communities usually was limited, most of them headed for the United States to further their fistic ambitions and financial fortunes.

To list only some of the many, Europe contributed Otto von Porat of Norway; Harry Persson of Sweden; Knute Hansen of Denmark; Gunnar Barlund of Finland; Paulino Uzcudun and Isidoro Gastanaga of Spain; Jose Santa of Portugal; Georges Carpentier, Paul Journee, Moise Bouqullon and Andre Lenglet of France; Pierre Charles and Jack Humbeck of Belgium; Franz Diener, Rudi Wagner, Max Schmeling, Hans Schoenrath, Ted Sandwina, Walter Neusel and Hans Birkie of Germany; Pietro Corri of Austria and Erminio Spalla, Ricardo Bertazollo, Roberto Roberti, Salvatore Ruggeriello and Primo Carnera of Italy. British contributions included Herbert Crossley, Dan Bright, Charley Smith, Phil Scott and Tommy Farr. Ireland's main entry was Con O'Kelly. From South America were Luis Angel Firpo, Vittorio Campolo, Alberto Lovell, Quintin Romero-Rojas and Arturo Godoy. King Solomon came from Panama. Australia sent George Cook. South Africa exported Don McCorkindale. Tom Heeney and Maurice Strickland represented New Zealand.

PLENTY OF ACTION

The visitors didn't lack for action. American heavyweights flourished abundantly in those lively years. Along with Dempsey, Tunney and Louis, the Yank forces numbered Harry Wills, Jack Sharkey, Tom Gibbons, Billy Miske, Charley Weinert, Johnny Risko, Bud Gorman, Jim Maloney, Willie (Young) Stribling, George Godfrey, Jack Delaney, Martin Burke, K.O. Christner, Tommy Loughran, Max Baer, Jim Braddock and a horde of others of better than average qualifications.

Not all the invaders were destined for ring greatness, but two of them, Schmeling and Carnera, did succeed in becoming world champions, and five others—Carpentier, Firpo, Heeney, Farr and Godoy—gave gallant accounts of themselves in their losing bids for the title. Several others, notably von Porat, Uzcudun and Neusel, rated with the best.

Taken by and large, the foreign legion represented formidable competition for their American contemporaries and did much to enliven the busy heavyweight scene in those two decades.

How different are conditions now! Since the close of World War II, there has been a steady and discouraging decline in both quality and quantity of heavyweights, not only in the United States but all over the globe.

Since 1946 less than a score of alien heavies of assorted capabilities have tried their luck in Yankee rings. They included Bruce Woodcock, Ray Wilding, Joe Bygraves and Don Cockell of England; Ken Shaw of Scotland; Gino Buonvino and Duilio Spagnola of Italy; Fidel Arcienega of Spain; Jo Weidin of Austria; Olle Tandberg of Sweden; Hein Ten Hoff, Hans Friedrich and Willi Besmanoff of Germany; Johnny Arthur of South Africa; Omelio Agramonte, Julio Mederos and Nino Valdes of Cuba, and Cesar Brion, Edgardo Romero and Alex Miteff of the Argentine. A few met with fair success, but most of them fell considerably short of topline qualifications. Some weren't much better than preliminary performers.

One of the visitors, Cockell, was given a crack at the title by Rocky Marciano in San Francisco in 1955, but he didn't have sufficient equipment to make a success of the assignment. Cockell exhibited fair boxing skill and commendable courage but he lacked the strength, ruggedness and punch to represent a serious threat to the crude but powerful Brockton Block Buster.

Valdes has been the most successful of the invading forces in recent years. The rangy Cuban may never qualify for recognition as an all-time great, but even at an aging 34, with a ring career dating back to 1941, he is about as good a heavyweight as the anemic division has to offer these days.

The Hawk Will Hunt No More

Kid Gavilan, Cuban Hero Who Reached The Heights, Retires After Stormy Career

By Johnny Salak

THE Hawk will fly no more.

The storm kestrel who thrilled a nation for more than a decade with his flashing, dashing dazzling speed and style has soared to the fistic heights for the last time and headed home to his native Cuba to roost.

With the retirement of Kid Gavilan, fittingly, also coming to a close are the lush years of televised boxing. As the fancy-footed champ faded, the zing gone from his wings, so too has interest waned for boxing in the medium that brought both to the height of popularity. What goes up, must come down, even for the free and easy, high-flying hawks.

Gavilan arrived on the scene in the mid-Forties, at a time when TV in boxing was coming into its own, a period which was to see two, three and even four nationally televised fights a week with astronomical audience ratings—a time when America was captivated by the mittmen, enthralled to gasping delight by the scintillating showmanship of the celebrated Cuban who moved with the grace and speed of the hawk, relentless in the pursuit of his prey, sudden and deadly on the attack.

This was Gavilan, who came from the sugar cane fields of Cuba, poor, skinny and gangling, to taste the riches of a world laid at his feet, and acquired a liking for the spotlight, flashy clothes, fancy cars, night clubs and race tracks.

He goes back all but alone, the one-time friends and well-wishing crowds far scattered, his wealth having slipped through his hands, his health probably failing.

Many things combined to down the hawk, law suits by fight managers, divorce proceedings by his former wife, back tax claims by the government, a recent illness diagnosed as liver trouble.

After twenty-one years of fighting as an amateur and a pro, he winds up with little more than a small farm in his native Camaguey province of Cuba.

Yamil Chade, Cuban banker who took over the management of the gaudy Gavilan a few years ago, was all for his 32-year-old boy quitting the ring. "Even though we had offers for five fights involving $75,000 in the near future I didn't want Gavilan to fight any more."

The decision was finally reached when The Keed received an offer from wealthy Argentine industrialist Jorge Antonio, who now resides in Havana, to teach boxing to Antonio's four young sons.

Gavilan, who professes to have taken to the ring to get away from the hard work of the sugar cane fields, was a success from the start. As an amateur he won 75-pound and 90-pound championships.

In his third amateur bout he walked seven miles to get to the arena, carrying the ring ropes all the way. He then helped to set up the ring, before fighting and winning the main event. All this on the one sandwich he had eaten that day. But it was easier than the cane fields.

In 1943 when he started as a pro he was a bantamweight, but quickly put on weight to go on to the next two and then three higher classes. It was in November of 1946, after three years of campaigning in Cuba and Mexico, that he made his American debut, halting one Johnny Ryan in five rounds at Madison Square Garden. From that moment, he was never headed.

Two ten round victories over Johnny Williams quickly followed before Gavilan returned to Cuba. On his return to the States in August 1947, he ran through ten fights in

the next few months, his only loss a questionable decision to Doug Ratford.

GAVILAN AT PEAK

For the next seven years he was one of the most vital forces in boxing. In all, Gavilan made twenty-two Madison Square Garden appearances, was seen in a record-breaking forty-six nationally televised bouts. He fought whenever and wherever he could, the other fellow's backyard being, to The Keed, the perfect spot for a scrap. He won the American title and then gained world recognition as the welterweight champion, defending his title with a fury that stamped his as one of the most exciting performers of modern times.

It was in 1948 and 1949 that he put on his rousing brawls with lightweight champion Ike Williams, and by winning the rubber match became the outstanding contender for Ray Robinson's welterweight laurels. His big pay days were just ahead of him. For the Robinson bout, the gate came to $177,000. 1950 saw the first of his thrilling series with Billy Graham. The following year he gained the American welter title with a decision over Johnny Bratton and defended the crown against Graham and Bobby Dykes, before he was recognized throughout the world as champion. He then put the title on the line against Gil Turner, Graham again, Chuck Davey, Carmen Basilio, Johnny Bratton. He took on middleweights such as Paddy Young, Gene Hairston, Walter Cartier and disposed of them. They drew $269,000 in the Turner bout, $176,000 against Bratton, $275,454 vs. Chuck Davey, $74,000 opposing Carmen Basilio. The money was rolling in.

Because of his style, many of his fights were close and controversial, the flurries of Gavilan at times being hard to evaluate. But he always gave the fans a run for their money, and action was what they came to see.

THE HAWK FADES

When he took on Bobo Olson, the middleweight champion, in a title bout in 1954, they drew $334,000. Gavilan lost and something seemed to go out of him. The handwriting, so to speak, was on the wall.

Next he defended his welterweight laurels against Johnny Saxton in a battle that saw him lose the decision and the crown. The bout, held in the City of Brotherly Love, was THE Philadelphia Story. Screams of protest rent the air and it seems all the world screeched in approval or defiance of the decision. But whichever way you saw it, you could not feel too sympathetic toward Gavilan. He seemed to lay back in the fight. You had seen too many decisions which you felt should have gone the other way and were presented to him.

Over the next few years, Gavilan was on the downgrade, he lost more than he won. But even at this ebb-tide of his career, he managed on rare occasions to flash his dazzling displays and the crowd would gasp their "ooohs" and "aaahs" and the full-throated "arribas" would again pierce the air. But it was nothing like the hoarse roars and shrieks of delight that once accompanied his every move, whether he tossed his lightning-like bolo, used his inimitable shuffle or followed through with his classy one-two punch. But some still remembered and his waning glory continued to get him the action which perhaps he no longer loved, but direly needed to make ends meet.

Those three years saw him topple from the heights to become the opponent. He travelled far and wide for fights, to Santa Clara in Cuba, to Buenos Aires in the Argentine, Montevideo in Uraguay, London, Paris, Marseilles and any station in America where he could get a fight—except New York.

It was a stormy career that sailed to dizzy heights and

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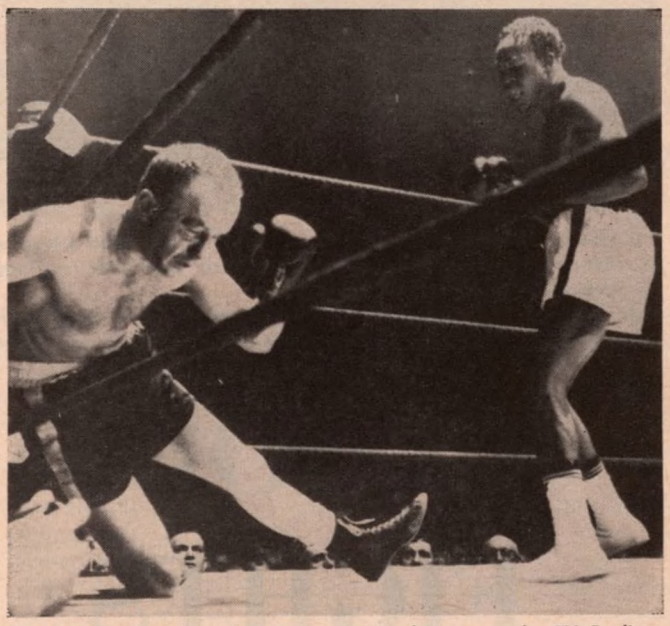
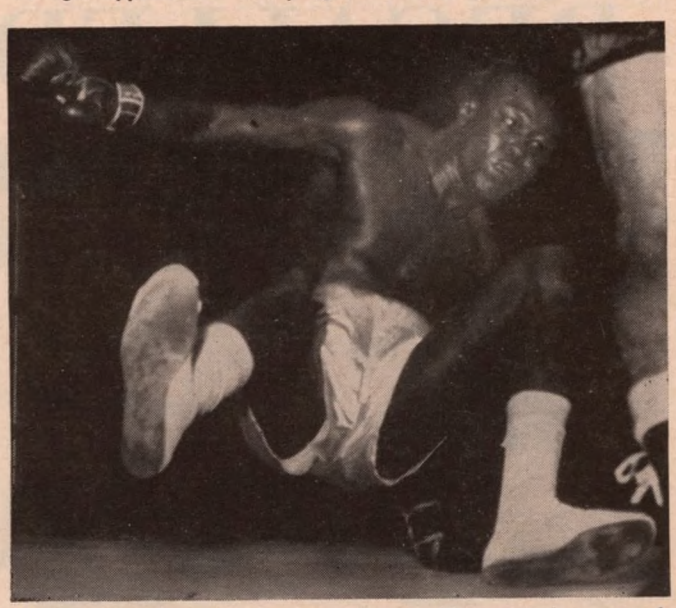
Victories seemed to come easy for Kid Gavilan, who had a tremendous, faithful following, who would shriek delight at his every move. Here he salutes his fans after winning performance.



Though Chuck Davey (going down) was known as the TV Darling, it was Kid Gavilan who burst his bubble and went on to 46 national TV fight appearances. Davey fight drew over $250,000.



Gavilan was dropped only three times in his career that covered some 200 amateur and pro bouts. The last time was in title bout with Carmen Basilio, another close and controversial decision for the Cuban.

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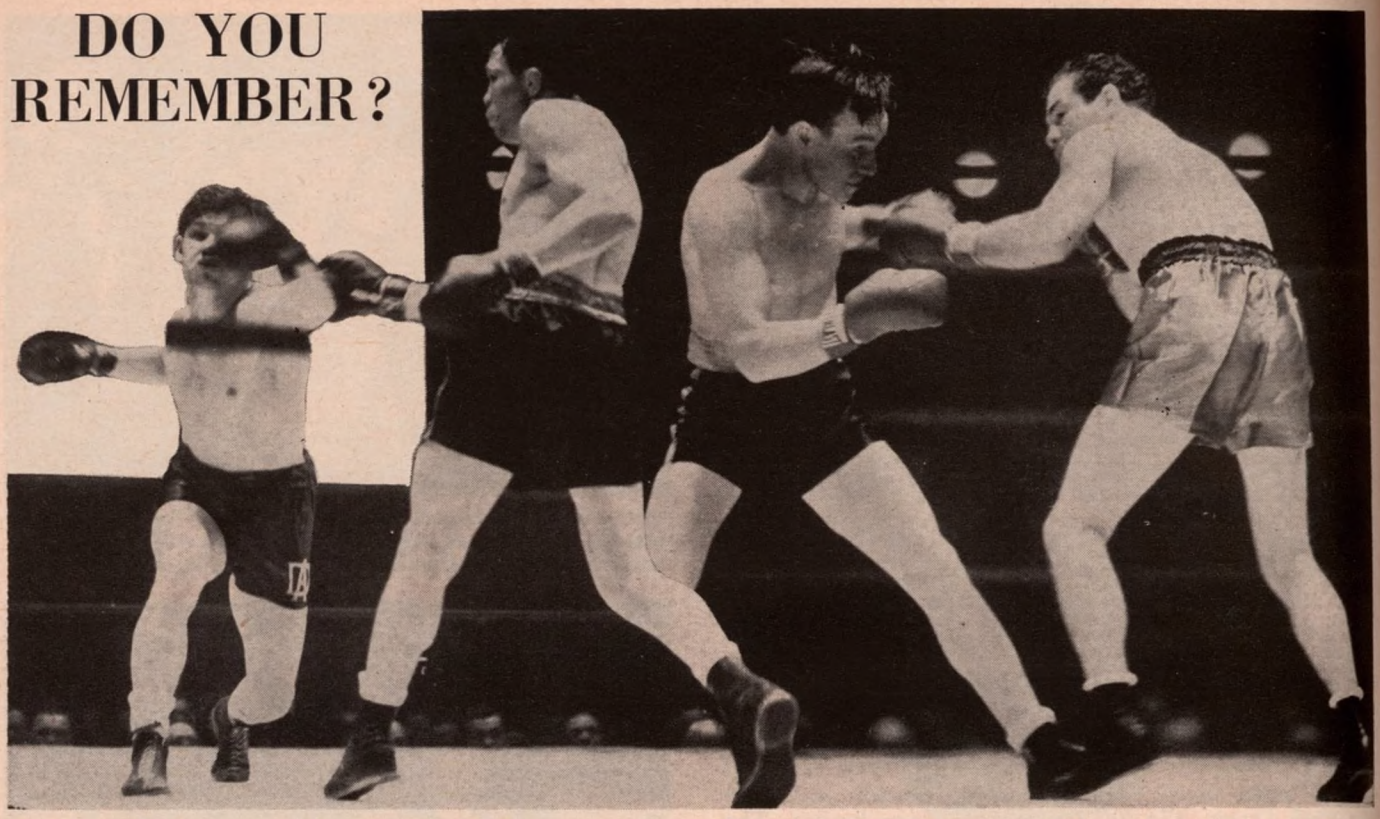
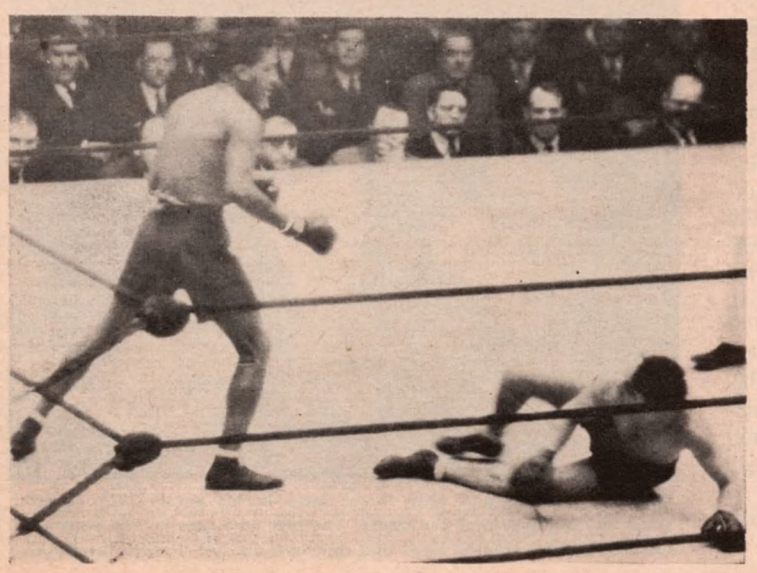
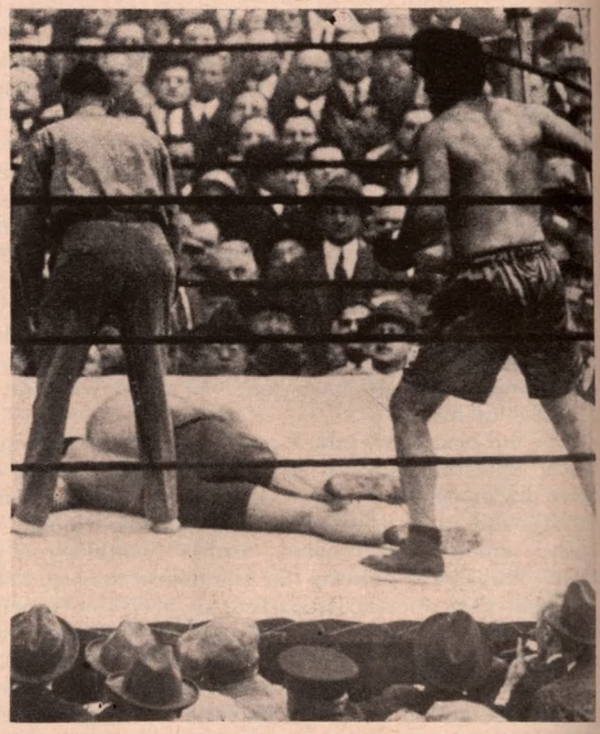


Left Above, Al (Bummy) Davis misses clever Lew Ambers with a lunging left hook during their ten rounder in Madison Square Garden on February 23, 1940 in which Lew making his first New York start after regaining the title from Henry Armstrong outboxed the hard hitting Davis to win the verdict.

Right Above, Tony Canzoneri moves in on Jimmy McLarnin during their thrilling ten rounder at Madison Square Garden on May 8, 1936. Tony who held the lightweight title at the time whipped the former welter king in a bout that excelled in clever ring craft and fine defensive boxing.

FAMOUS FIGHTS RECALLED





(Above), Luis Angel Firpo, "The Wild Bull of the Pampas," sent Jack McAuliffe into dreamland in the second round of their May 12, 1923 bout in New York City. Firpo's quick kayo was one of the strong points that earned him his shot at Dempsey's crown later that year.

(Left), World welterweight champion Jackie Fields hits the deck during his Boston, Mass. battle with Gorilla Jones on December 13, 1929. This non-title match ended in a no-contest in the seventh round when the referee said neither man was putting forth his best effort.

PEP—Faded—Lost

By BILLY WILLIAMS

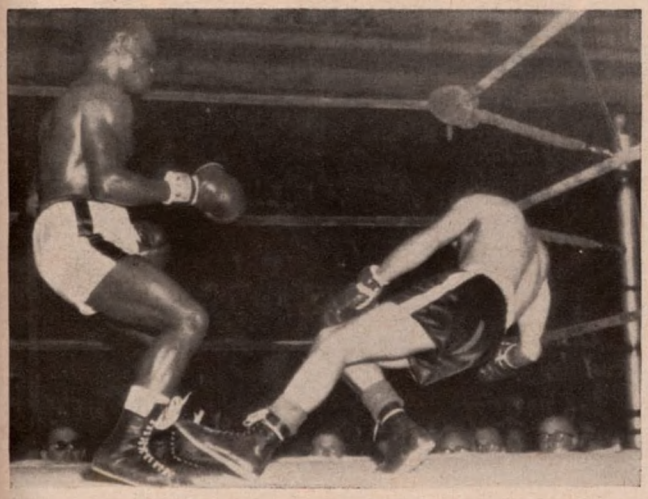
Willie Pep, One of the All-Time Ring Masters at Thirty-Six, Gave His All for Shot at Featherweight Title He Once Held but Failed to Make It.

Pep appeared to be measuring Hogan Kid Bassey, world feather champ at weigh in, but once the fight began "father time" ruled Pep out of the running.

THE years moving on have little regard for the transient glories of yesteryear. It's the present, not the past, that counts in a materialistic world. The old must inevitably give way to the new, and even an all-time ring great like Willie Pep cannot go on indefinitely.

There still are flashes of his once dazzling speed and uncanny skill, but at 36, with a career embracing 229 professional bouts in nineteen years of busy campaigning, Pep no longer has the strength and endurance to carry him through against a young, strong, aggressive, hard-hitting rival like the current world featherweight champion, Hogan (Kid) Bassey, ten years Willie's junior.

Still, until he finally was battered into submission in 42 seconds of the ninth round, Willie gave a remarkable account of himself in the Boston Garden. Realizing it probably was his last chance to get back into the top flight of the featherweight division, Pep had toiled long and earnestly for this match. He was in as superb condition as it was physically possible for him to be. He had "fought" himself into fine fettle in a series of twelve bouts in eight months throughout New England. True, most of his opponents were of miscellaneous quality but one actual fight in the ring, even with mediocre opposition, often is better than a month of training in the gymnasium.



Willie Pep (right) on his way down for the second time in the ninth and last round from a right hand smash to the jaw by Bassey. Pep barely beat the count but the referee stopped the fight with Pep all used up ending what will probably be Pep's last chance.

And so, Willie, the one-time Will-o'-the-Wisp, was ready, willing and as able as he could ever hope to be, for his all-important meeting with Bassey.

It was a ten-round non-title affair, but if Pep could win he would have assured himself another match with Bassey, this time for the championship which twice before had been his.

Pep didn't lack for moral and vocal encouragement. Of the 10,409 witnesses crowded into the arena, contributing a gross gate of $47,601, it was estimated that 4,000 had trailed along from Willie's home town of Hartford. It wasn't only his loyal Connecticut contingent that rooted for Pep. Willie was the sentimental favorite of practically the entire house.

For five rounds Pep gave his noisy cohorts ample reason to cheer his every move, as he flitted this way and that, jabbed and hooked his left hand into Bassey's face, spun the champion around in close quarters, tied him up in the clinches and even outflurried him in occasional exchanges.

Pep, however, couldn't maintain the pace set by the aggressive, durable, determined champion. Bassey forced the action all the way, giving Willie no opportunity to relax. The Nigerian's body punching began to slow Pep down. By the seventh round Hogan was alternating his body attack with rights to the jaw, and Willie was finding it increasingly difficult to avoid them. One right, catching him on the retreat and off-balance, sent Pep skidding to the canvas for a fleeting moment.

Willie was fading rapidly in the eighth and had to call on all his ring wiles to avert disaster. But time was running out on him, and he had little left when the ninth round opened. Rushing out of his corner at the bell, Bassey looped a vicious right to Pep's jaw. Willie crashed to the canvas. Stumbling up at eight, he reeled back toward the ropes. Bassey charged in with both hands winging away. Pep collapsed across the lower strand, half in, half out of the ring.

Instinctively, Willie struggled to rise and barely pulled himself to his feet as Referee Jimmy McCarron tolled ten.

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Boxing Writers Honor Ring Editor-Publisher

A SIGNAL honor was paid to Nat Fleischer, editor and publisher of *The Ring Magazine*, and to the publication itself at the Manhattan Hotel in New York on September 24, by the Boxing Writers' Association.

With 150 men in attendance, among them ten champions, five of them Hall of Famers, the association sounded the high accolade for Fleischer, who for many years had been its president and who is one of the few charter members still in the organization.

The Hall of Fame stars were Tommy Loughran, Mickey Walker, Barney Ross, Tony Canzoneri and Abe Attell. The five other champions were Ray Robinson, Hogan Bassey, Jersey Joe Walcott, Gus Lesnevich and Petey Scalzo.

For Fleischer, the occasion was a surprise party. Notices of the luncheon contained no hint of its purpose. Members were warned that it was of "the utmost importance."

Fleischer began to ask questions when he noted that the scene of the affair was not the restaurant in which the BWA usually held its occasional get-togethers.

When he arrived at the Manhattan and found that the luncheon was being held in the big ballroom, and when he saw one invited guest after another join the cocktail group, he was more puzzled than ever.

The boxing writers some time before had determined that for his long services to their group, for his many years of militant action in the interests of boxing, for his importance to the sport and its well being, Fleischer deserved some memento, some festival of thanks and appreciation.

Also a factor in prompting the occasion was the imminent appearance of Fleischer's long planned autobiography, "*Fifty Years at The Ringside*," now being circulated by the Fleet Publishing Company.

The writers presented a silver plaque to Fleischer. It showed a reproduction of the first issue of this magazine, February 1922. The front cover had likenesses of Tex Rickard and Lord Lonsdale.

The presentation of the plaque was made for the BWA by the five Hall of Famers, with Loughran their spokesman.

He told Fleischer how greatly respected both he and his magazine were by the fighters of succeeding generations, and how much they appreciated his militancy as the "watch dog" of world boxing.

Julius Helfand, chairman of the New York State Boxing Commission, first

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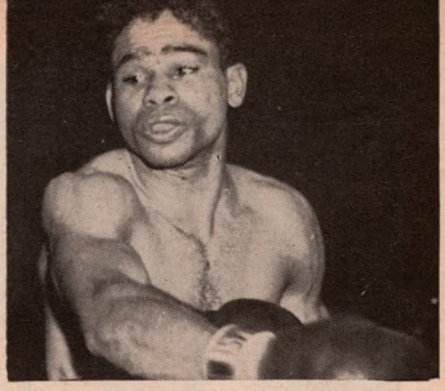
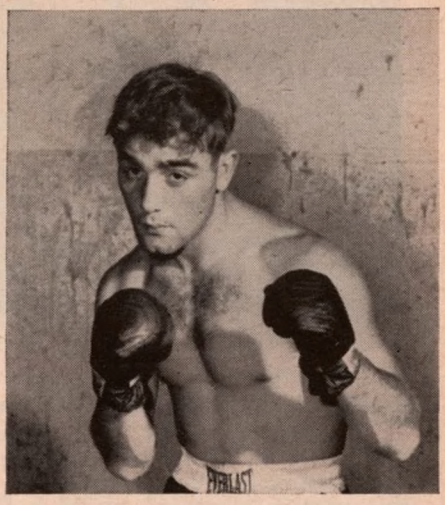
Champions who honored Nat Fleischer at BWA luncheon. Left to right: Mickey Walker, Sugar Ray Robinson, Hogan Kid Bassey, Petey Scalzo, Tony Canzoneri, Tommy Loughran, Jersey Joe Wolcott, Barney Ross, Abe Attell, Rodeo Star Roy Rogers and Gus Lesnevich. Kneeling is Fleischer as the champs, en masse, thank him for his services rendered to boxing. "Mr. Boxing" has covered boxing for over fifty years.



Rudy Sawyer, hard punching Long Island City, N. Y. welterweight comer, who has lost only one fight since turning pro. He is a former All-Navy Champion.

STRIVING FOR RECOGNITION

By LEW ESKIN



College student-prize-fighter. That's Tony DiBiase, Astoria, N. Y. welterweight who was NCAA champion before becoming a professional. Tony is a senior at New York University.

A FOURSOME of pugilistic lads who have gained fistic stature are a trio of New York welterweights, Rudy Sawyer, Tony DiBiase, Bill Flamio and a Canadian, Jackie Hayden.

JACKIE HAYDEN

Hayden, a lightweight, hit the headlines with a impressive upset win over former French lightweight king Lahouri Godih. Godih had dropped a disputed decision to the number one ranking welterweight Don Jordan a few weeks before meeting Jackie in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia, and was rated a shoo-in against his Canadian foe.

However, Jackie turned in a fine performance, carrying the fight to his opponent in the early rounds and holding off a closing rush to gain the verdict. The victory was the thirty-first in fourty-six starts for the twenty-five year old blond-haired lad and his biggest.

Born in New Glasgow on February 22, 1933, he now lives in Westville, Nova Scotia. The oldest of four children, two boys and two girls, Jackie started to box as a professional at fifteen while a student at Westville, High School where he was regular center fielder on the baseball team.

He did all of his early fighting in Stellerton and Truro, rolling up five kayos while losing only one of nine bouts, reversing the loss to Tucker Boy Collins in a return meeting.

Jackie's early fighting was in the Canadian Maritime Provinces until 1953. He gained the Maritime lightweight crown by defeating Keith Paris. Although he lost two out of the three fights he had in Edmonton, he made a fine showing in his bout with Al Marotti which drew 4,000 fans one of the biggest crowds to see a non-heavyweight fight in that city. The loss to Marotti was the last one Jackie suffered until Richie Howard defeated him three years later. During that stretch he turned in eleven wins and three draws including victories over Dexter Connors, Eddie Antonetti, Brian Kelly, Sammy Fortuno, Leroy Jones, Til LeBlanc and Vince Marshall.

Youthful veteran, Jackie Hayden of Canada, is one of the top lightweights in the British Empire and a popular performer in Nova Scotia.

It was in these bouts that Jackie showed he was ready to step out against top competition. He was matched with Rickie, "Kid" Howard, one of the top ranking lightweights and the Canadian champion. Although beaten, Jackie put up a good fight and they were rematched a month later and this time in a close, bruising fight Hayden was stopped on a cut eye in the seventh round.

Jackie returned to action in 1957 and gained revenge by winning a ten round non-title verdict over Howard at Stellarton. On October 19th they met for the fourth time in a twelve round fight, with Howard's title at stake and Jackie was edged.

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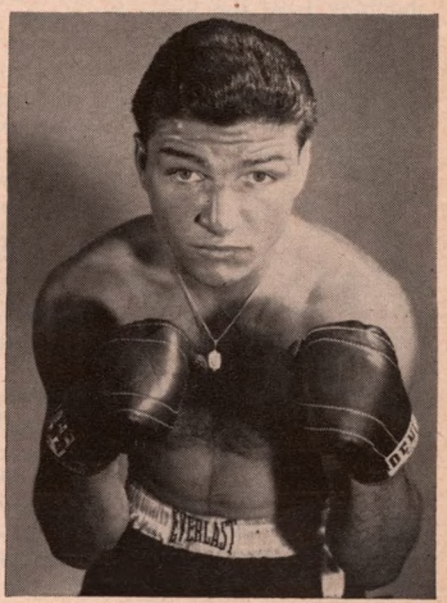
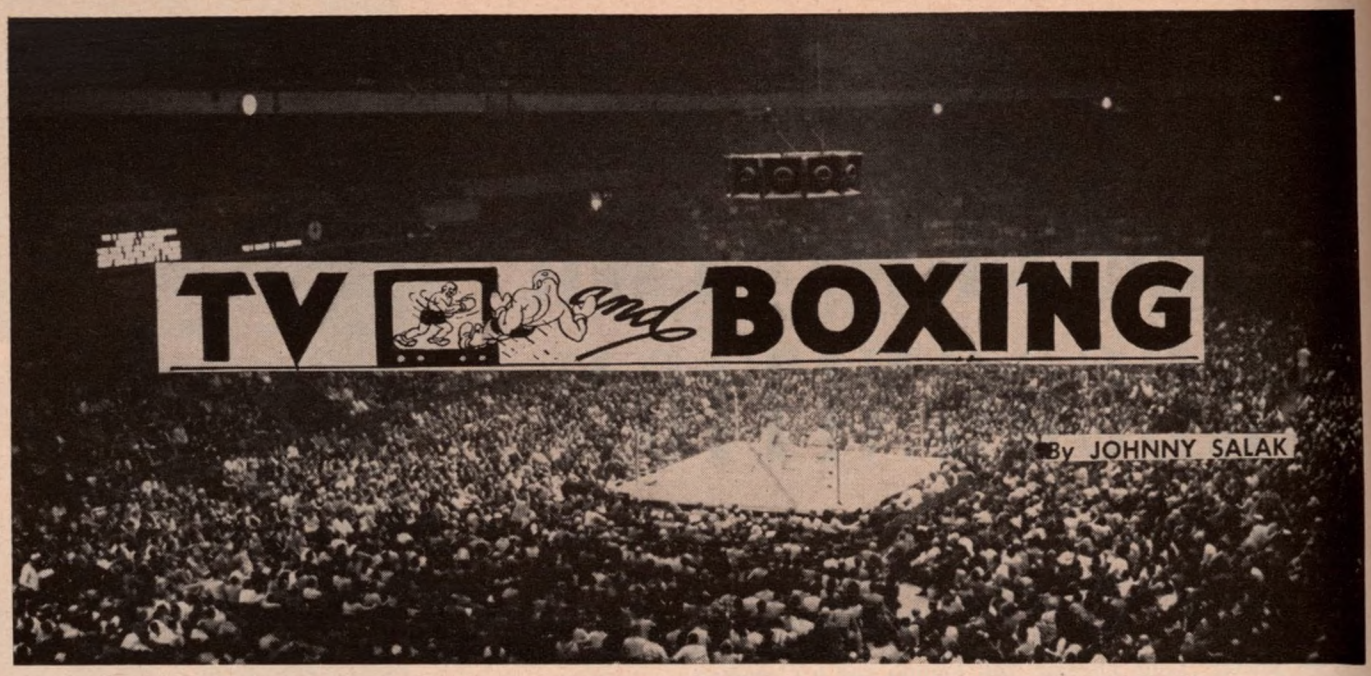


Tough Little Bill Flamio, called "The Little Bronx Bull". An aggressive young welterweight who has caught the fans fancy.



TV and BOXING

By JOHNNY SALAK

IT all started with a roll of butcher's paper—used, at that. In the great American tradition, the idea born as a "prompter" for the budding television industry has within a decade emerged, confident and strong, destined to have a lasting and vital influence on the American way of life.

Not, necessarily, as a medium of sports coverage alone, though that is what we are primarily interested in at this point. The field of closed-circuit telecasts of sports, which TelePrompTer invaded little more than a year ago, is but a small part of a dramatic and all-encompassing means of communication, hardly recognizable from the crude beginnings, the early attempts at prompting performers.

How far does TelePrompTer go, to what extent does it influence our lives, even at these comparatively early stages?

Well, to date, TelePrompTer is working with, or has worked with, some 350 of the 500 leading companies in the U. S., outfits which are making use of this revolutionary, though tested and proven, means of communication. Top secret U. S. military defense projects are closely concerned with and have installed and make use of this equipment. Experiments continue, touching on just about every phase of our lives.

Visionaries of tomorrow see the housewife doing her shopping from the home by means of closed-circuit telecasting, educators teaching vast student audiences by this method, industry experimenting, preparing, producing and selling their product in this manner, the entertainment world at the beck and call of the nation.

For the present, let us get back to 1958, TelePrompTer, its impact on the boxing field, and Irving Kahn, president and guiding light of this vast enterprise.

KAHN IN ON FIRST

Irving Kahn, they say, can talk the hind legs off a donkey. This we doubt, though if it would serve some useful purpose we are certain he would attempt just that. Which reminds us that we have seen some two-legged jackasses running around lately. Confirmation as to whether they had any one-sided conversations with Kahn, though, is lacking.

Suffice it to say, he can talk and, happily seems to know what he is talking about. He is one of those men who can quickly and accurately take stock of a situation, grasp its full meaning and possibilities and act, and talk, accordingly.

He is not new to the closed-circuit telecasting of fights, though TelePrompTer made their bow in this field on a very limited scale in the first Robinson-Basilio fight.

With 20th Century-Fox for many years, Kahn was in on the first actual screening, having negotiated the first closed-circuit deal when he bought the theater rights for the Joe Louis-Jersey Joe Walcott fight in 1948. It was piped into one movie house, the Fox in Philadelphia, with a capacity crowd of 3,300 in attendance. Madison Square Garden was paid a token one penny a seat for selling the rights.

Though with the picture company for many years, Kahn, on being presented with the "prompter" idea for television performers some eight years ago, took the plunge, left security and started out on his own, forming the TelePrompTer Corporation.

For a half dozen years they experimented, improved, added, until today the original machine which began this huge enterprise stands forlorn, meaningless, discarded, like something out of the middle ages compared to the battery of rich and highly complicated equipment (when shown, we nodded in complete agreement with everything they said about their confounded equipment) that services all phases of the growing empire that will one day play an important part in all our lives.

From its humble beginnings, TelePrompTer now packages and produces all types of "shows" for selective audiences, everything from highly technical works to the intricacies of the dancing girls. The equivalent of full Broadway shows are written, produced and performed and it is said that Kahn, with his enthusiasm and energy, has taken part in all aspects of these packages—doing everything except a soft shoe routine, complete with straw hat and cane.

But rather than get the wrong impression, let it be known that the staff at TelePrompTer includes some of the best men in the business, highly knowledgeable, experienced and trained. Complex though the operation may be, it runs smoothly and with authority.

At the request of Ray Robinson, through his lawyer, TelePrompTer stepped into the boxing picture in Sugar Ray's first fight with Carmen Basilio. Another closed-circuit outfit had, at that stage, things pretty well tied up and TelePrompTer was allotted only four out-of-the-way, small town theaters. If we recall correctly, the locations were in Amarillo, Texas; Orlando, Fla.; Medford, Ore.; and Duluth, Minn.

Despite the fact that these were far from the choicest spots, careful planning and know-how made a rousing suc-

cess of the showings in these towns and, in effect, made TelePrompTer take a longer look in the direction of closed-circuit telecasting of fights. This was in September 1957.

At that time, and to this day, strange rumors persisted: Ray Robinson "was" TelePrompTer; Sugar Ray owned a good chunk of the corporation; Robinson had made private deals for himself.

TELEPROMPTER IN RECORD BID

As we understand it now, Robinson was motivated solely by the desire to make more money and Robinson, wisely, is a firm believer in competition upping the buck. He had no direct connection with TelePrompTer, has none now.

Kahn, asked about the rumors, said, "Nothing could be further from the truth. As far as I know, Robinson owns no stock in TelePrompTer and never has. And while we are at it, let's lay the ghost of the I.B.C. rumor. To my knowledge, no one with the International Boxing Club, including Jim Norris, owns any stock or has any financial interest in TelePrompTer."

Their success under limited conditions in the first bout prompted TelePrompTer to bid for the rights to the return bout. A staggering guarantee of $275,000 locked it up. A fantastic success was achieved in putting on the show in 174 theaters, drive-ins and arenas in 140 cities. A record-breaking 365,876 people saw the fight in this manner. It insured TelePrompTer's place in the sports field.

The manner in which Kahn and TelePrompTer obtained the exclusive closed-circuit rights to the Floyd Patterson-Roy Harris world heavyweight championship fight, with a guarantee of $210,000, has been fully told in earlier columns of this feature. A reign of confusion, backed by many amateur methods, hampered and all but sabotaged the actual promotion of the bout. Everything, it seemed, combined to doom it to anything but a rousing success from the start.

As one sports writer worded it, "There was only one professional connected with the whole promotion—Irving Kahn." TelePrompTer, faced with a fight that was hard to sell, in a professional, thorough manner drummed up enough interest and business throughout the country to attract an audience of 196,762 who shelled out $763,437. It was enough to see their way clear to at least an even break. At this stage of their development in boxing and with the fight they sought to screen and sell, this became a major victory. It is quite possible that TelePrompTer received more space in the newspapers than did the two fighters.

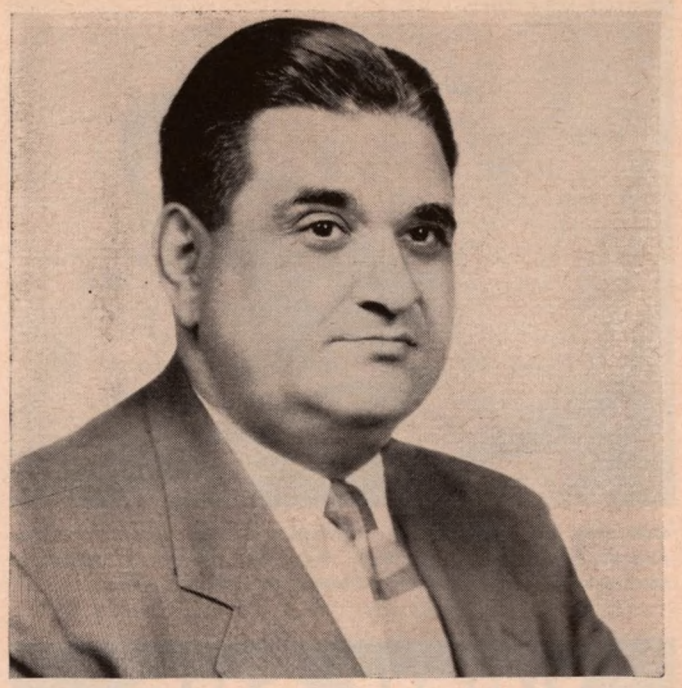
TELEPROMPTER OPEN FOR IDEAS

This column has more than once written that a closed-circuit outfit, with a terrific overhead and actual operating expenses for telecasting an event, cannot hope to sustain itself on three or four sports promotions a year and is doomed to financial failure.

In essence this is true. At this moment sports alone can not carry such an operation. However, TelePrompTer is not dependent upon revenue accrued from such telecasts. As a field of exploration and cultivation, it finds the sports domain the perfect territory, willing to risk while it builds, confident that in the long run there is financial security for itself, the athletes and the actual promoters.

TelePrompTer does not consider itself a promoter of sports events and has no intentions along that line. While they may be considered as competition by some boxing promoters, this is farthest from the truth.

"We are willing to listen to a proposal of, and if suitable work with, any promoter, so-called independent or otherwise. These men throughout the U. S. and Canada—and we have been in touch with some thirty or forty of them—know the boxing business. We don't profess to know that end of it. However, we do know the television business and it could make for a happy, prosperous union," says Kahn.



Irving Kahn, president of TelePrompTer, who feels that closed-circuit TV on a regional basis could help bring boxing back to the prosperous, popular level it once held.

"If any one of them has a product—a fight—that will sell, or an idea that can be worked out, we will listen to them and, if the proper arrangements can be made, we will do business with them.

"When we were ready to get our feet wet in the boxing business many persons came to us and advised against it, for a number of reasons. We studied the matter carefully and found no illegal ogres waiting to devour us, to force us into an unsavory position, or to make an alliance with us.

"Every one of our dealings has been aboveboard and it will remain that way. We could not afford to get ourselves involved in any other kind of set-up, risking a huge enterprise, which is utilized by our government's security forces, in any deals which were even remotely shady or illegal. We would be jeopardizing our entire future and certainly that is something we would never do. You can use your own imagination as to just what kind of thorough investigations were carried out concerning these matters.

"We have found in our dealings with the sport that the men connected with boxing are sincere, honest and concerned with bringing the sport back to the high level of popularity it once enjoyed. We heard there would be stumbling blocks and roadblocks. We have found none, with everyone, especially the sports writers, being extremely willing to cooperate."

REGIONAL CLOSED-CIRCUIT TV COULD BE IT

Irving Kahn is a man of ideas and visions, with the knack of gathering the loose ends and tieing them together. Naturally, many offers have come to him since his involvement in boxing. Some are good, some bad, some indifferent.

Possibly the most promising is closed-circuit telecasts of boxing on a regional basis. The idea holds much merit. Set against nationwide closed-circuit telecasts, which of necessity are limited to three, four—at most, six, shows a year, regional close-circuit TV eliminates extensive, expensive costs, does away with the "dead areas" where little or no interest in a particular bout is manifested and, more im-

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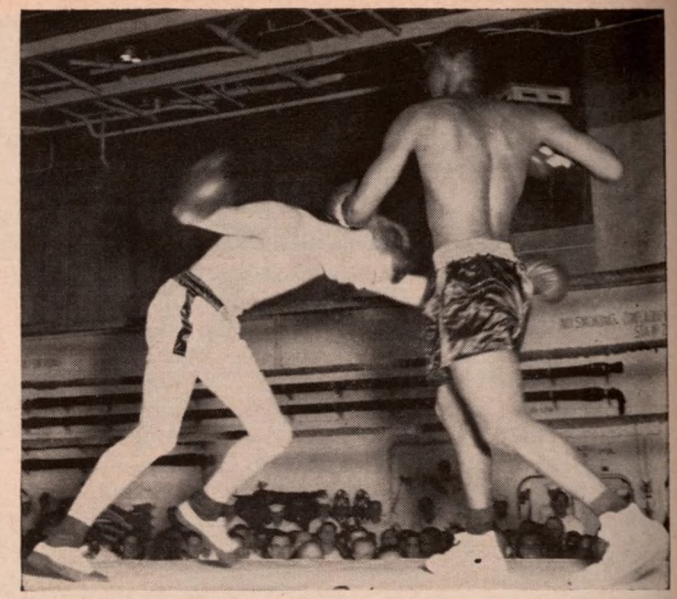
Outlasting Contribution—to the Hawaiian Marines. Sgt. Luis Molina recently received a trophy from Maj. Gen. Francis M. McAllister for his outstanding ring triumphs during the past three years.



U.S.S. Ranger's first birthday . . . bout between David Wilson, 155, black trunks, Mt. Sterling, Ky., and C. Marshall, 158, Wilmington, Del., referee Al Eddy.

WITH OUR SERVICEMEN

by JOE SMITH

Hawaiian AAU Championship Award . . . Marine Colonel Hewitt D. Adams (left) registers approval as he accepts the trophy from Max Fontes, AAU boxing chairman.

HAWAIIAN Marines received the 1958 Hawaiian AAU championship award at ceremonies held at Schofield Barracks Post Bowl. Leatherneck scrappers earned the award in competition with fighters of other services and civilian athletic clubs.

Max Fontes, AAU boxing chairman, presented the trophy to Colonel Hewitt D. Adams, during the International Goodwill Tournament. The Goodwill tourney was hosted by the Army's 25th Division.

LENN RETURNS HOME

M/Sgt. Freddie Lenn, former Pittsburgh professional boxer, a 24-year man with the U. S. Marine service, has returned as a recruiting officer at the Old Post Office Bldg., Pittsburgh, where he joined up in 1933.

He was on recruiting duty there for three years before being shipped out to the Pacific and since has been virtually all over the world on duty.

He played football and boxed on service teams and coached the All-Marine boxing team and assisted Spike Webb with the All-Navy team, coaching many boxers who subsequently became professionals.

Mrs. Lenn and a son, Fred Jr., 18, and a daughter, Kathleen, 15, are re-establishing their home in Pittsburgh.

MOLINA HONORED

Outstanding contribution to the Hawaii Marines boxing team by Sgt. Luis Molina received recognition recently when Maj. Gen. Francis M. McAlister, Deputy Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, presented Molina with a trophy commemorating his ring triumphs during the past three years. The son of Mr. and Mrs. John Molina, 642 South 10th Street, San Jose, Calif., Luis was two times All-Marine lightweight champ, two times Inter-Service lightweight champ, twice Hawaiian AAU lightweight champ, Hawaiian Inter-Service lightweight titlist, Marine Pacific Ocean Area lightweight king, and member of the U. S. Olympic boxing team at the 1956 Melbourne games. Winner of 138 fights, more than 40 by knockouts, Molina plans a professional ring career.

GALEY IN SAVAGE BRAWL

On the first anniversary of the commissioning of the mightiest of all warships, the U.S.S. Ranger, a fistic extravaganza was presented comprising eight boxing and one mat match. Judges for the card were Commander C. L. Miller and John Sasso, hospital corpsman first class. Our good friend Al Eddy refereed all the bouts and sent in this report.

What turned out to be the most exciting match was that sending George Galey, 145, Scarborough, Maine, against Jesse Woodson, 146, San Francisco. Woodson started right out with the first round and gave Galey a fierce lacing. It certainly looked like Woodson was going to be a quick winner since Galey was knocked down resoundingly early in the bout, and was in bad shape on arising. The referee allowed the bout to continue but at this point it looked like

just a matter of time. When the bell ended the first, Woodson was still very much a threat. Shovel hooks to the body had been softening Woodson up meanwhile and a vicious switch from body to head and he was down at 1:45 of the 2nd round and just barely missed the count. It was a savage brawl and their shipmates applauded for long minutes. This is one that will be long remembered by those privileged to see it. Galey showed he had the heart of a lion to come back from the brink of defeat to win this one. The fine right cross that finished the contest after a left hook was one for the books. Galey had his third bout with this contest and they have all ended in knockouts. The fur flies when this boy gets into action. However, he still has the bad habit of fighting too upright with chin exposed. Because of this fault he has taken much punishment every time he has gone postward.

NEWBOLD WINS WRESTLING MATCH

The wrestling match midway in the program brought together Eddie Newbold, 198, Jenkintown, Pa., and Eddie McBride, 199¾, Muskegon, Mich. Newbold, a leatherneck, and McBride put on a spirited contest, Newbold finally pinning his strong opponent in the second period. The crowd liked it and hope to see more of the same in the future.

Leon Scott, 170, Chicago, Ill., and Louis Crump, 167, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., fought an interesting bout with Scott the winner on all cards. Crump, a southpaw, gave Scott a lot of trouble with his portside stance and lasted over the distance good. Scott, the classier boy, paced himself nicely for the win.

Still another interesting bout was that between James Ryan, 154, New York, N. Y., and Woodrow Wilson, 160, Washington, D. C.

Ryan, who looks on the fragile side, something like Tommy Collins, but who hits like a mule, again like Collins, was constantly trying to set his man up for the pay-off right cross. He never did actually accomplish this, but did use up the D. C. boy so badly that he indicated to the referee he had enough and the bout was stopped and awarded to Ryan at 1:59 of the second round. This was also a punishing bout. Ryan carried the first round. Ryan, in shape, is a dangerous lad. He is cool and moves nice. If serious about his ring future, he could do well in the squared circle.

C. Marshall, 158, Wilmington, Del., and David Wilson, 155, Mount Sterling, Kentucky, put on a spirited tussle with Marshall coming back from a knockdown in the first round to win a unanimous decision.

Guy Allen, 147, Donnellsonville, Louisiana, was a loser by a kayo in the third round to Jack McCarthy, 156, East Liverpool, Ohio, when the referee stopped it when Allen had a damaged nose, cut on the outside, and bleeding profusely. The bout was one-sided and the Louisiana lad had been down in the first round and was behind when the bout was stopped. Allen put up a game performance. His handler wanted to stop it after the second round ended to save him further punishment but Allen wanted to finish the bout.

EXUM HEAVYWEIGHT BOXING VICTOR

A heavyweight rematch brought together Oscar Exum, 185, Memphis, Tenn., and J. T. Strickland, 200, Grand Rapids, Mich. Whereas Strickland was a narrow winner in their first meeting, this match was a complete reversal, since Exum scored a convincing win, getting a unanimous decision. The referee failed to give Strickland a round. Incidentally, though there were some close matches on the card, there was only one split decision for the entire afternoon.

In the Exum-Strickland bout, the Memphis boy surprised by staggering Strickland in the first round and forged slightly ahead from that point. He was a much-improved battler over their first bout and seemed more confident, doing more leading. There was much holding in the latter stages of the bout, which fact marred an otherwise fine match. This intriguing setto calls for a rubber match, which will be eagerly awaited.

In the afore-mentioned lone split vote bout of the day, Eddie Acker, 185, Rochester, N. Y., and Danny Andrews, 210, Salem, Mass., hooked up. The referee voted Acker the win but was outvoted by Judge Miller, who cast his vote for Andrews and John Sasso, who called it a stalemate. The official decision was a draw. Andrews, with 25 pounds weight advantage plus height and reach on the New York lad, allowed his smaller opponent to lead to him and then Danny missed often with his counters. Also Acker was constantly landing rights to Andrews' stomach. Acker looked a winner but the officials decided otherwise.

This bout "bogged down" at times and the crowd voiced its disapproval. These periods were due to lack of condition more than anything else.

In the final bout, a 3-round exhibition was presented between the talented Bob Davies, 145, of San Diego, Calif., and Russ Muschlitz, 170, of Philadelphia, Pa. These boys put on a lively display of fisticuffs which was well-received by the large crowd, terminating a fine program, arranged by the Assistant Medical Officer, Lieutenant Commander W. C. Adams.

WILLIE ROSS, KNOCKOUT ARTIST

One of the most sensational fighters among servicemen in Europe is Willie J. Ross, Jr., 147 pounder with Company E, 503rd, First Airborn Battle Group stationed in Germany. The German fans have aptly named Willie "Death Bringer" because of his sensational knockout record. His amateur record shows 35 fights and 27 knockouts and only 3 losses. Five fights were won by decision.

The twenty-three year old fighter was born in Natchez, Miss., and he attended Brumfield high school. He started fighting while in the army under Sgt. Vince Chaires, and later was coached by B. L. Callahan, one of the army's foremost coaches.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Ross Sr. of 39 Beaumont St., Natchez, Miss., but doesn't plan to return to Mississippi to stay following his stint in the service, which ends in December. He says he will join Zora Folley's stable of fighters in Arizona under the aegis of Al Feen.

Servicemen who have watched Ross in action predict that he will make the grade in the money chasing ranks. He has what it takes to be a good professional.

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TED CARROLL

FEATURE

A-ROUND AND A-BOUT

By BOB ALLEN

SEEING Jesse Bowdry beaten for the third time in a row by Sonny Ray (twice by knockouts) reminded boxing men of the classic case of Jimmy Webb, now a capable referee in Houston, Texas, but at one time a leading contender for world light-heavyweight honors.

Webb was managed, during his active days as a ring performer, by Chris Dundee who now promotes with considerable success at Miami Beach and once managed a sizeable stable of gladiators headed by such as Ken Overlin and Georgie Abrams. Overlin was middleweight champion in the early '40's and Abrams a top-flight 160-pound contender.

Even the best of managers make occasional mistakes, however, and the sudden series of mishaps which befell Jimmy Webb must be classed as prize managerial bloopers on the part of Mr. Dundee. Seems there was a so-so fighter in Pittsburgh named Mose Brown. Dundee matched Webb with Brown in what he figured would be just another step in Webb's march toward a 175-pound title opportunity. Brown knocked Webb out in two rounds.

Unable to believe that this was other than an accident, Dundee promptly signed Webb for a second fight with Brown, again in Pittsburgh, and again Brown flattened the Texas light-heavy, this time in five rounds. Still Dundee was unconvinced. He just could not believe that a mediocre fighter like Brown could exercise such mastery over his young boxer. He figured too that Webb had to do something about erasing those knockouts and so he proceeded to pair his boxer with Brown for still a third time. And once again disaster was Webb's lot. This time he was kayoed in the sixth round. Now Dundee was convinced. But Webb never reached the top after that. Three strikes and he was out of the light-heavy picture.

Jack Dempsey is one of the immortals of boxing. He is an immensely popular sports figure even though it is some thirty years since he lost his title to Gene Tunney. He is a substantial and highly respected citizen and a wonderful gentleman. But he sure has his troubles picking the winner of a fight. Maybe this isn't altogether his fault. As Jack explains it:

"I like to help the publicity men along when they ask for a prediction, and I don't like to knock anybody. But, of course, I don't want to make a fool of myself either."

Perhaps this is an adequate explanation as to why Jack picked Basilio over Aragon and at the same time gave Aragon a good chance over Basilio. Perhaps it explains too why he once picked Marciano for one news service, Jersey Joe Walcott for another, and then wrote a magazine piece predicting the fight could end in a draw.

We don't quite get the connection between boxing and bowling even though Emil Lence, Brooklyn promoter; Chris Dundee, of Maimi Beach; and Jim Norris, former head of the IBC, all own prosperous alleys. Yet there is the fact that one night recently, when two new alleys opened in New York, Floyd Patterson and Jack Dempsey were opening-night guests at one; and Barney Ross, Jim Braddock, Gus Lesnevich, and the busy Dempsey were honored guests at the other. These lads are hanging around the right kind of alleys.

That was a neat lead Martin Kane of Sports Illustrated wrote on a Willie Pep story. It went like this:

"In boxing's annals the amazing Willie Pep holds many records, such as being the only two-time featherweight champion ever brought up before Judge Abe Ribicoff of Hartford, Connecticut, 11 times on crap-shooting charges."

A versatile man is Lou Nova, one-time heavyweight contender but more recently an actor on the Broadway stage and Hollywood, a radio announcer, a master-of-ceremonies at women's fashion shows, a poetry reader at Carnegie Hall, a newspaper columnist for a California paper. And now he's off on something new—a round of speaking engagements at meetings of sales-advertising men. In these talks Lou endeavors to explain the relationship between boxing and selling.

The men in the advertising business, according to Nova, must work just as hard to get themselves into fighting trim as a boxer preparing for a tough fight. We presume he means by this that advertising men should study yogi philosophy and stand on their heads an hour each day. But don't they do that now anyway? Isn't that how some of the men in the gray flannel suits get many of their brilliant ideas?

We happen to know that the publicity man who thought up the cosmic punch-dynamic stance-bodily arc idea for Nova, back in the days when Lou was training for a Max Baer fight, did so while completely upside down with blood rushing to his head. It figures.

There's always someone around to spoil the fun. Over in Doncaster, England, Kitione Lave, the Tongan Terror, offered to box one Joss Burton, a British fairgrounds battler, in a bare-knuckle fight to the finish.

"Not allowed," said the British police.

"All right," said Lave, *"we'll wear skin-tight gloves and instead of fighting to a finish we'll make it 100 rounds maximum."*

But, faithful to the memory of the Marquis of Queensberry in whose name our modern boxing rules are inscribed, the British Board of Boxing Control refused sanction for so outlandish a performance. As we say, there's always someone around to spoil the fun.

Charley Powell, West Coast heavyweight who had a hard time choosing between football and boxing as a career, was recalling his early boxing days recently with a Los Angeles boxing writer. *"There were a lot of pats on the back when I was winning my first fights,"* said Powell, *"but then I got knocked out by Charley Norkus and my dressing-room was empty."*

We'd like to remind Mr. Powell of the story about a Philadelphia youngster who was scheduled to box on an outdoor show in New York several years ago. After a 4 o'clock dinner the youngster told his manager he was going to his hotel to take a nap and asked the manager to wake him at 7 o'clock.

"Will do," said the manager. But along about 6 o'clock it started to rain and the show had to be called off. The manager, figuring there was now no need to awaken his fighter, did not bother to call. The boxer slept right through the evening until suddenly he was aroused by the incessant ringing of a telephone. Groping for the receiver in the semi-darkness the lad finally answered to discover that the voice on the other end of the phone was his wife's, calling from Philadelphia.

Unaware that the fight had been cancelled she said:

"Hello dear, I waited until midnight to call you. How'd you do tonight?"

The youngster glanced about the empty room.

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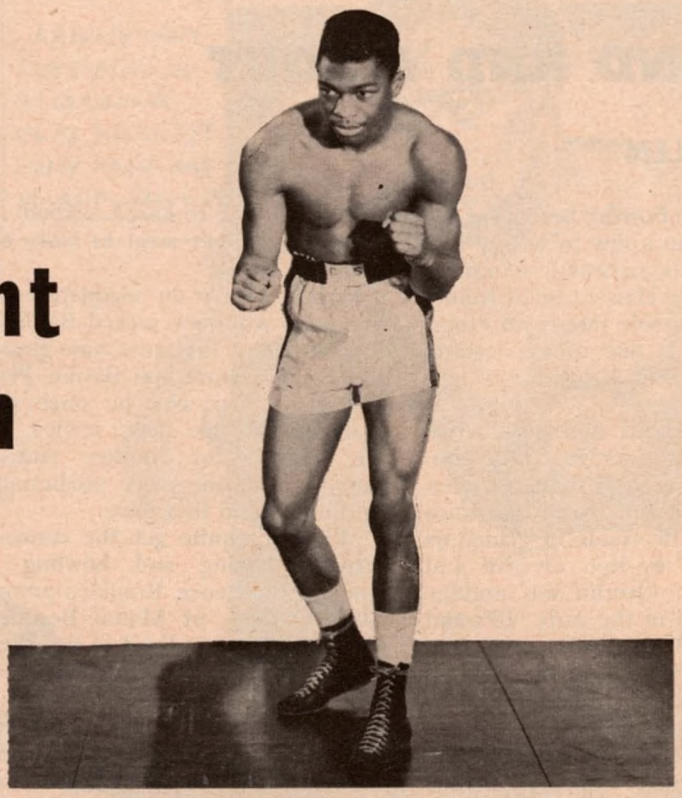
New Lightweight Sensation



LEN MATTHEWS

By FRED EISENSTADT

ALTHOUGH time changes things and we change with times, followers of fistiana still prefer to have ringmen look like fighters, because a slightly twisted or flattened nose, thickened eyebrows, square jaw, heavy neck, a pugnacious mien, rough voice, swaggering manner, lends color to men who make a living by punching each other in public.

Such characteristics are, however, notably absent in Len Matthews, new lightweight sensation. This young fisticuffer does not have the appearance of a fighter, doesn't talk like a fighter and most certainly doesn't act as a fighter is supposed to act. There is just one thing Matthews has in common with pugilists, and that is, he loves to fight.

"This, in a way, is rather odd," Len informs gently, "Because as a child I was quiet, obedient and shy. But I suppose," he adds, a grin causing his eyes to narrow like those of an Oriental, "deep inside me there always had been a lust for battle. And that often has me thinking—now that I'm a pro: am I fighting to satisfy that lust, or am I doing it because I'm now getting dough for fighting?"

Another odd characteristic in the young man's nature—particularly odd in this modern age—is that he has a strong adherence for truth. Last year, after he had put the long snore on a ring rival, Len's manager suggested that he go tc his victim's corner and express regret over knocking him out. "Tell the poor guy," said Tony Graziano, "you're sorry you kayoed him."

"Oh, I can't do that," said Matthews.

"Why not?" asked Tony, puzzled and surprised.

"Because," was the straight reply, "I'm not the least bit sorry I flattened him. It's exactly what I aimed to do, and I'm glad I did it."

PHILADELPHIAN MADE THE GRADE EARLY TO GAIN RECOGNITION

It takes the average young pugilist quite a while to graduate from the preliminary class and engage in stellar attractions, but Matthews made the grade rapidly and may soon be listed in the select group—a rating in RING Magazine, which means worldwide recognition. Len is rising to the top by fighting every moment he is in the ring—punching relentlessly, showing no mercy, aiming to put the quietus on his rival in a hurry.

Matthews began to topple pro ring rivals on November 7, 1957, disposing of four opponents in that fashion that year. In 1958, Lennie knocked off five men in a row, then trounced veteran Henry (Pappy) Gault. Next he put Henry (Toothpick) Brown to slumber. Then he battered rugged Bobby Rogers into a helpless heap and did likewise to another formidable chap, Steve Ward. The rock-fisted Len Matthews racked up a score of winning 12 by the kayo route while copping two decisions.

"I believe it's quite an achievement," declared manager Tony Graziano, a college graduate, who is representative of the M & M Transportation Co., "for a 19-year-old. After campaigning but ten months in the professional ranks Len Matthews was considered good enough to be the main attraction on a nationwide televised and broadcast boxing show. Even his victim of that affray, Tommy Tibbs—the second one to go the distance with Lennie—vowed before the cameras that Matthews was a sensational scrapper, one of the best he's fought in almost a hundred ring battles."

BEGAN AMATEUR CAREER AT THE AGE OF FIFTEEN

Born in Philadelphia, Pa., on May 12, 1939, Lenwood Matthews, Jr., has two sisters—Jean, 22, and Shirley, 21, a mother of three. At 16, the lad left Simon Gratz high school in the eleventh grade to take a job as busboy.

"But I began to learn the art of boxing two years before, with boxing gloves my mother gave me for Christmas. I boxed with my friend Claude Troup, at his house. At 15, by falsifying my age, I entered the amateurs—where I won twenty-five of 32 contests," declared the likable young ringman.

At 17, Matthews obtained a job as water-boy for a construction company. He also did general labor to develop his body and put muscles in his arms. Week-ends he worked as a caddy, a service he'd been performing for four years. Len likes playing golf and is pretty good at the game. Among his other pastimes is watching movie and listening to rock 'n' roll music and a little jazz.

"But since becoming engaged to Lolita Griffin, on September 15—exactly two days after scoring my first really big victory by beating Tommy Tibbs," disclosed the 5-foot-8, 132-pound boxer-puncher, with a warm smile, "I spend a great deal of my time with her—going places— seeing things —planning our future together—having a home, which I miss and look forward to."

His father, Lenwood Matthews, Sr., who works for the Warner Cement Co., and his mother, Elizabeth—now employed as a domestic—separated 12 years ago. Both approved their son's choice of a ring career. Len's mother likes to watch him in ring action. She came to New York, when her son opposed Steve Ward at the St. Nicholas Arena, to cheer him on to vectory.

"I'm living at the home of my trainer," related the boxer plaintively. "I visit my parents whenever I can, but I'd like to have my own home. Two things I want most. One is to get married. The other is to win the lightweight title."

"Okay, Len," said Graziano, who was in on the interview. "I'll treat you to a really big wedding when you become lightweight champ. How's that?"

"Well—" was the thoughtful reply, "not so good. You see, Tony, I'll be fighting just as hard losing to the champ as winning from him; and as you know, a title holder is no pushover opponent. So I'll really be competing under a disadvantage. That's why I feel your proposition is not quite fair."

"You have a good point there," said the manager, and then amended: "Okay, Lennie—you get the big wedding treat from me when you fight for the title—win or lose. That's a promise."

IS BEST PROSPECT DEVELOPED IN CLASS IN MANY MOONS

Ring experts predict that Matthews is a cinch to become a champ. They base their judgment on the facts that he's cool under fire, has the power in his fists to hurt his foes and put them away, knows how to pace himself, possesses a sharp left, hook or jab, and has deadly power in his right. He is unafraid to move toward a dangerous antagonist and exchange wicked blows with him. He can take a solid clout to the jaw without flinching or toppling to the canvas and trains hard.

Boxing experts are, as a rule, not dreamy sentimentalists; they're grim realists who draw conclusions from solid facts—either from seeing an upcoming lad in action or obtaining reliable information regarding his fistic talent. Viewing Len's work in the roped square, is a rewarding experience, and scanning his record, is convincing proof that his future is bright.

Relating how he happened to acquire the young pugilist, Graziano said, "Quenzell McCall, former boxer, who was training a few of my fighters in 1955, told me at that time about a kid who, in his opinion, looked like a fine prospect and suggested I put him under contract without delay. Knowing McCall to be a keen judge of ring material, I followed his suggestion and—well, it pays to listen to those who know their business."

Len has 20-20 eyesight but wears glasses for reading,

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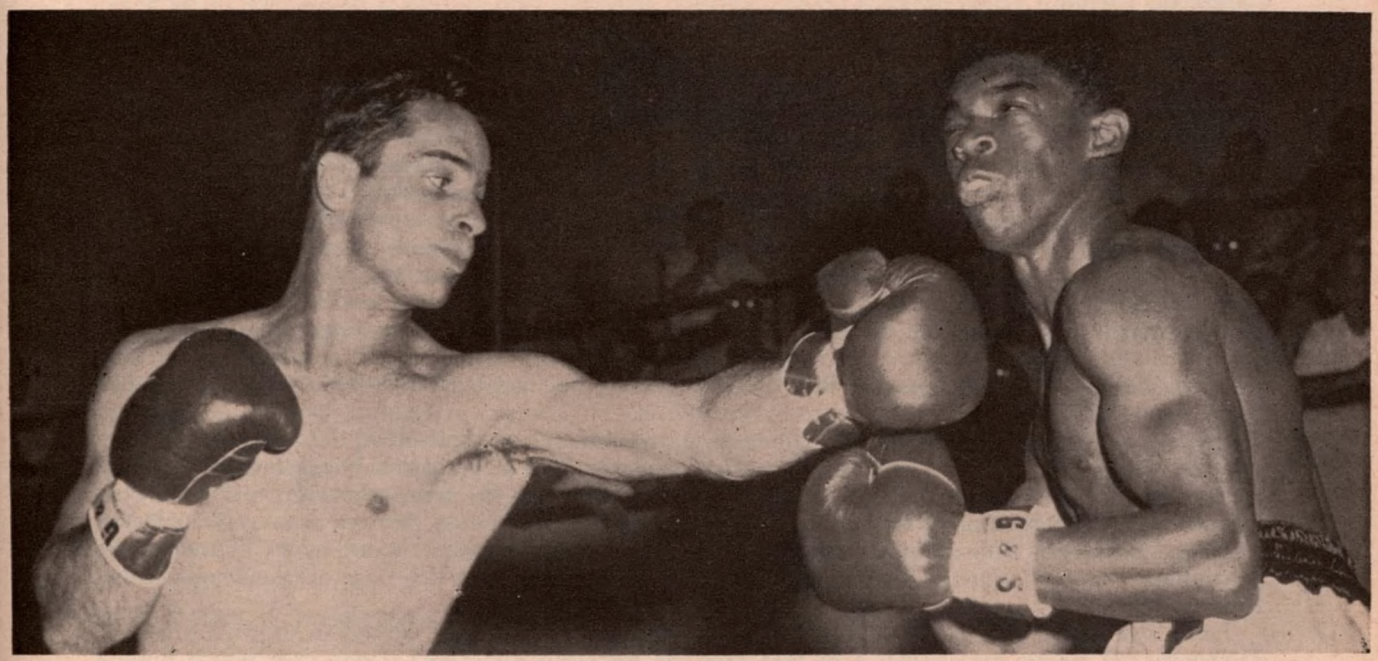

The above photo was picked because it shows that Matthews (right) can take a solid punch and come back to knock out his opponent as he did in this contest with Steve Ward. Len is one of the ring's best prospects in years. He can punch, box and can take it.

MOST OF 1956 OLYMPIC BOXERS NOW PROS.
EUROPEAN BOXING IN MIDST OF BOOM
FIRMER HAND BY COMMISSIONS NECESSARY

Nat FLEISCHER says:

CUS D'AMATO, manager of Floyd Patterson, world heavyweight champion, believes that in Jose Torres, American representative on the Olympic team at Melbourne, he has the next middleweight champion. He hopes to hit the jackpot the second time with an Olypmic boxer. His chances are bright. Of all those who competed in the Melbourne Games in 1956, he has displayed the best form among those who have turned professional, but to reach the heights, he must not be held in check as Cus has done with Patterson.

When Torres stopped Otis Woodward in five rounds at the reopening of Ted Brenner's St. Nicholas Club in New York, among the record sellout gathering of 3,216 spectators who paid a gross of $7,174.71, was Tony Madigan of Australia who has come to America to try his hand at the money game. He and Torres competed in the international boxing tournament, but Madigan was eliminated by the Russian Romoualpas Mouraouskas in the quarter-finals of the light heavyweight division while Torres got into the finals and was defeated in a thrilling encounter by Laszlo Papp of Hungary who became a three time Olypmic winner to set a record for boxing.

When the Australian lost, a verdict with which I didn't agree, he announced that since he had let down his people, he would hang up his gloves but now, with a chance to pick up some American dollars, he hopes to make good as a pro. Col. Eddie Eagan, is his sponsor. When the Olympic Games were completed, I wrote:

"The outstanding boxers in the tournament were Anthony Madigan, Terry Spinks of England, Fred Tiedt of Ireland, Jose Torres of America and Laszlo Papp of Hungary." I stated then that Torres was the best of the Americans despite the fine feat of Peter Rademacher who disposed of the Russian giant, Lev Moukhine. More men who had competed in the last Olympic Games turned to professional boxing than ever before. Included in the list are Peter Rademacher who though he never had engaged in a pro battle, fought Floyd Patterson for the world championship and in his second bout was stopped by Zora Folley; Terry Spinks of England; Giacomo Mino Bozzano of Italy; Risto Luukkomen, Finland; Warner Batcheleor and Max Carlos of Australia; Laszlo Papp of Hungary; Pentti Hamalainen of Finland; John McCormick of Scotland, the best fighter in that country and Edgard Basil of Germany.

Rademacher has proved that he should have remained an amateur but the others have done fairly well. Papp has engaged in four contests against ordinary talent without a loss but has been a keen disappointment considering his excellent amateur record. Bozzano, a heavyweight, has engaged in twenty contests without a defeat, and Spinks has dropped only one bout, a knockout in the fifth round on August 28, at the hands of Billy Rafferty. Terry has had a total of twenty contests against varied opposition.

Torres is a natural middlweight, has a fine style and was well thought of by the many experts who watched him in the finals of the Olympics. He is the new idol of the sports loving Puerto Ricans of whom there are close to one million in New York. They flock to the arena whenever he fights. They jammed the St. Nicks Club which, without the aid of television, has its greatest gross gate in eleven years, a sign that any club can prosper if it has the proper talent booked. According to D'Amato who is handling Torres, the Puerto Rican is as good now as was Patterson at this stage of Floyd's career and that's saying a lot.

Torres has proved that point in New York. Unlike the style Torres employed so successfully in Melbourne, D'Amato has altered it to that used by Patterson, the "peek-a-boo" style which hinders his effectiveness. It would be far more advantageous for him were he permitted to use his natural stand up style.

BOXING RISE SEEN THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

Boxing results around the world indicate a rise in both ring activity and in interest. Why the sudden shift? The lift that the sport has been receiving from the top ranked ringmen. When the rated boxers, especially heavyweights, show their wares, no matter who comes through the winner, the sport benefits. This have been proved in the past and is equally true at this time.

The reopening of boxing centers in many parts of Europe where boxing has been at a standstill for a long time, has resulted in the leading amateurs turning to the professional sport. This is particularly true in Sweden and Finland where the cream of the simon pures, athletes who were either members of the Olympic team or had tried out for a place in 1956, are now professionals. The same holds true in our country and in England and Italy.

The outlook for better conditions in world boxing are exceedingly bright.

THAILAND MINISTER OF INTERIOR, IN CHARGE OF PRO BOXING

Thailand is the latest country to join the ranks of others in having boxing controlled by a boxing organization. The Minister of the Interior, Lieut. General Prapas Charusathien, a former amateur boxer and ardent follower of the sport, was elected president of the Professional Boxing Association. His first move, was an offer to Pascual Perez to defend his crown against Pone Kingpetch, rated Number Two in world flyweight selections.

The new organization has the backing of the government which is eager to have another world championship match staged in Bangkok. In the title bouts in which Jimmy Carruthers and Robert Cohen fought Chamrern Songkitrat, almost half a million dollars were taken in at the gate.

Each contest was attended by more than 50,000 persons. A Perez-Kingpetch fight will do equally as well. The Argentinian has been offered $35,000 and three round trip tickets, but his manager, Lazaro Koci cannot be induced to accept, even with a neutral referee and one neutral judge to act as officials.

The trouble with boxing today rests as much with managers who won't cooperate with promoters, as it does with the other chief causes—television and dearth of young talent to keep small clubs in operation. I cannot think of one of the old timers managers who would turn down such a lucrative offer for a flyweight bout, especially with neutral officials. If Perez should accept, I would appoint Teddy Waltham of England the referee, as I did for the Cohen-Songkitrat bout, since the appointment would be left to me by the Thailand government.

UNRATED BOXERS OFTEN BETTER ON TV THAN THOSE RANKED

Recently The Ring received a strong letter from one of its readers asking why unrated fighters like Art Aragon and Peter Rademacher were permitted to be matched with the highly rated ringmen, Carmen Basilio and Zora Folley, respectively.

"It is up to you to put a stop to such one-sided matches. That's what we expect from you and your publication," the reader wrote.

First let me point out that The Ring cannot and does not make matches. Our staff is frequently asked for advice which is freely given. The New York Commission and the World Championship Committee often seek our opinion on such matters, but while we feel free to comment, to criticize or to praise matches, such contests are arranged by the promoters and it is the duty of the duly legislated boxing bodies to act upon them—not The Ring. Frequently we have condemned poor matchmaking and placed the blame where it belong, but that is as far as we can go.

When the Aragon-Basilio match was made, it was not considered a one-sided affair by the California State Commission. And correctly so. Aragon in past bouts proved he could take it and could hit and was the leading attraction in California. Though he was stopped by the former champion, he rocked Basilio several times before being halted. It was a good match for California. Often a fighter without a rating has given a far better performance than rated men. A good example was the recent Folley vs. Machen bout that ended in a draw.

The TV spectators watching the top men, the Number One and Number Two contenders flounder about the ring, giving as listless a performance as one would expect from raw novices, will get my point. There are several hundred fighters who have appeared in main events throughout the country, many on TV. Some have displayed the kind of action that has pleased the TV viewer, while others have performed so poorly, one wondered what induced the promoter to book them.

But the TV sponsor wanted those boys to appear because they were favorites in their locality. The promoter wanted them for other reasons, often because he figured that they were good club fighters with local drawing power.

PUBLIC OPINION UNHEEDED: PROMOTERS DEFY PROTESTS

Take Rademacher's case. The fans knew from the time Cus D'Amato signed him to fight Patterson that he was an unfit opponent—a novice without any experience as a pro. Yet he was accepted

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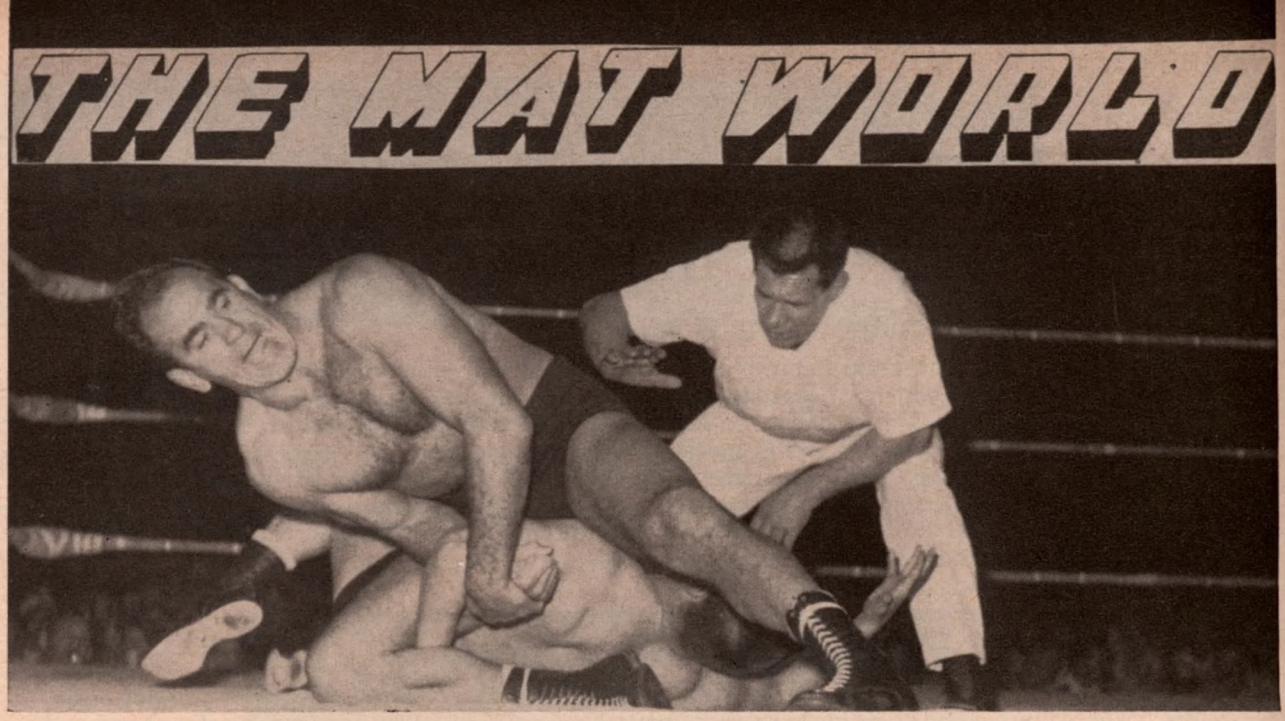
THE MAT WORLD



Lou Thesz clamps a short arm scissors on Pepper Gomez in their bout at Houston, Texas, that went to a draw. At 47 Thesz is still one of the fastest men on the mat and there are few who can equal his skill.

ON AND AROUND THE MAT . . .

HAD a visit from that terrific blonde haired brother combo Ed and Jerry Graham. . . . They are presently wowing the fans with appearances in New York state and New England . . . will be seen in Florida in the good ole winter time.

The blonde craze with that cute hair do is followed through by the Hamilton brothers, Larry and Joe . . . real meanies . . . another blonde twosome that is mean as Yogart is Steve Stanlee and Irish Jack Donovan.

You readers may not believe this but some of the villains have fan clubs that outgrow the heroes. . . . Carl Von Hess has a following to prove the point. . . . Among the girls Princess Moolah points to her bank account, which is convincing.

The trend seems to be "toward Florida". . . . Buddy Lee is due there as this is written and Mark Tendler, back from service with Uncle Sam, will be seen in Florida soon. . . . Ever wonder where Mark got his tag of "Prince Charming"?. . . It seems he was the guest of honor at a luncheon given for a charity and when it came his time to speak the MC announced him as a fellow with a world of charm . . . a prince of charm. . . . Scribes present picked it up and from then on he was "Prince Charming". . . word has it that Johnny Barend is on his way touring the U. S. . . . is in Texas now.

After an absence from ring action Angelo Savoldi is once again on the mat. . . . Did you know that the Hamilton brothers were former Golden Glove fighters? Tendler was a pro boxer before turning to the wrestling game? That Dr. Jerry Graham also once was a mitt merchant?

Mike Clancy and Lester Welch are laid up with injuries sustained in the ring but should be back in action shortly. . . . Fargo brothers in action in Tennessee as are the Gallagher brothers and Len Rossi and Tex Riley. The Mighty Atlas is also out that way and doing right well.

I should like to thank Mrs. A. C. Walrond and her daughter for their honorary membership in their fan club. . . . The Ray Stevens Fan Club. . . . Those interested in joining may contact the club at 5113 First Ave., North, Birmingham 12, Alabama.

FAN CLUBS

Pick those you are interested in and back them to the hilt because more than any other group it is the Fan Clubs who help your favorites. Following are a few more that we think you might be interested in.

Ronnie Etchison Fan Club, President Arlene Edwards, Box 172, Newark, New Jersey; Don Eagle Fan Club, President Detta Droege, 1713 Hughes St., Cincinnati 10, Ohio; Johnny Barend Fan Club, President Phyllis Bateman, Norwich, Ontario, Canada; Ilio DiPaolo Fan Club, President Elsie Smith, . Steam Mill Rd., Camden, N. Y.; The Tex Riley and Len Rossi Fan Club, President, Patricia Bartlett, 7809 7th Ave., North, Birmingham, Alabama; Argentina Rocca Fan Club, President Arlene Edwards, Box 172, Newark, New Jersey.

A note from Carol Holmes to the effect that due to lack of cooperation she has been forced to discontinue her role as president of the June Byers Fan Club.

POPULARITY POLL

Men

1. Verne Gagne
2. Antonino Rocca
3. Ronnie Etchinson
4. Dick Hutton
5. Dick "The Bruiser" Afflis
6. Pepper Gomez
7. Mark Tendler
8. Ricki Starr
9. Tag Team tie:
   Dr. Jerry Graham and Ed Graham
   Antonino Rocca and Miguel Perez
10. Ray Gunkel

Women

1. Princess Moolah
2. June Byers
3. Nell Stewart
4. Judy Grable
5. Penny Banner
6. Rita Cortez
7. Millie Stafford
8. Betsy Ross
9. Alma Mills
10. Judy Glover

PEGGY ALLEN

MISS PEGGY ALLEN . . . who would have been Hollywood's next Marilyn Monroe . . . but gave up motion pictures for the wrestling game, stands 5 ft. 5½ inches and weighs 138 pounds. Peggy, a gorgeous Sherry Red Head-buxom babe, was born and raised in Bluefield, W. Va., where she went to school.

Upon graduating from High School, Peggy enrolled in college. Here she could not find the contentment one should have in their chosen profession. Miss Allen then left for New York,

Mexico is becoming one of the outstanding nations in the development of wrestlers who are well grounded in the basics as well as being colorful. The latest of these lads to invade the U. S. is Elias Garcia, a 6', 232 pounder, who holds the Mexican crown.

where she started her modeling career. She worked for two of the world's largest modeling studios.

One day, a producer visited the studio in which Peggy was employed. After looking over a group of some 25 girls he picked out Peggy and offered her a contract for a tremendous amount of money to work for him in the motion picture business. He claimed Miss Allen was a natural born actress. That is one reason, why today, Peggy is called the most beautiful girl in wrestling; not only beautiful to the male followers, but the females also claim she has what it takes.

Miss Allen turned down many other offers from movie producers. They could not figure how Peggy could let a great opportunity such as this go by. Today they know why. She loved the wrestling game and so Miss Allen became a sensation the first time she climbed through the ropes. The folks could not believe their eyes when "Miss Gorgeous" herself started to wrestle. They thought she was an actress or a model, but after seeing Peggy dispose of her opponent inside of 15 minutes of an exciting match, everyone found that a new star was born to the wrestling game.

Miss Allen gives the leisure time she has to the one hobby she enjoys most of all, the art of designing. Peggy designs most of her wardrobe and also some of her jackets for the ring.

ELIAS GARCIA
By Peg Colwell

One of the outstanding wrestlers to come to the U. S. from Old Mexico, is 6 ft. 232 pound Elias Garcia. While attending the University of Mexico City, he won the amateur Occident title in 1942 at Monterrey. After leaving the University, he enjoyed a short but successful pro boxing career. Craving for action and with the monetary attraction, he followed his brother, Juan, and embarked on a career in wrestling. In Guadalajara, he won the Heavyweight Championship of Mexico.

While a member of the police force in Nova Loredo, Mexico, it looked as if he might never return to the mat. While washing his car in the driveway of their home, he caught a fleeting glance of a carfull of desperadoes, who slowed up enough to aim a barrage of bullets at him. Of the five that struck him, doctors were able to successfully remove three. The other two are still in his chest. On the critical list for several days, his good physical condition and determination paid off. Two months later he joined forces with his brother Juan, to relieve Jack Allen and Jerry Woods of the Rocky Mountain tag team title, which they still hold two years later.

His wife and their two children are his hobby. Elias is a very congenial and pleasant person and has a large following of fans. Everywhere he goes, he is swarmed with autograph hunters.

Elias prefers to be a clean scientific wrestler, but is capable of roughing it up when the situation demands. His favorite hold is the devastating abdominal stretch.

Princess Moolah, woman champ, who despite being a villainess is quickly becoming one of the top attractions among the women grapplers. Here she is seen at Roanoke, Virginia, signing autographs for her fans.

PRINCESS MOOLAH
By Maria Martinez

Princess Moolah, the most fabulous name in wrestling history. Moolah is one of the most beautiful lady wrestlers on the mat. Moolah's terrific strength enables her to beat her opponents. She has met both male and female wrestlers defeating them all. She can whip practically any man with the courage to face her.

Moolah walks in the ring with the grace of a Princess and walks out with a victory over the wrestler and the referee. She climbs down out of the ring and people just stare. They love to hate her. One night in a Texas ring, Moolah raised the roof by flooring both the wrestler and the referee, only to be escorted out by police. That night she won the Texas Championship. Then she went to South Africa to defeat their Champion.

The great June Byers has been offered a "shooting" match but has refused.

As a result we now recognize Moolah as the Champ, and we have every reason to since she won the title through a six week tournament in Maryland. She learned to wrestle from her big brothers who are amateur wrestlers. She decided to wrestle for a living, and with the aid of her brothers she made it, and I am willing to bet my life that they won't tangle with her now. She is one of a family of twelve. *"I started to be a clean wrestler says the wrestling Queen, but it didn't work, they thought I was soft and scared because I was not as big as they were, but they soon found out they could not bully me, and I mean to keep it that way. Wrestling is a rough sport,"* she continued. *"I have a cauliflower ear, a souvenir of my early days as a wrestler. In those days I received many injuries and was often sidelined because some of them were real serious and my doctor often said I would never wrestle again. I guess I showed them. Once I was driving my caddy to a match to a nearby state, when a farmer came driving a truckload of pigs to town. The truck upset and I was pinned under a truckload of pigs, they all thought I was dead. Imagine their surprise when they*

Leon Graham seen here with his Fan Club president, Carol Holmes. The occasion was the Ohio Fan Club Rally at Columbus, Ohio where Graham received a trophy for outstanding sportsmanship.

took the pigs off me and not a scratch.

"I had a leg broken once by a Texas bully. Texas fans are all for their own males and females, but when I came back into action, she was sorry she ever tangled with me as I knocked a few of her teeth out, blackened her eyes, and just fractured her arm a little. I don't think she will ever disrespect me again. That was the night the cops had to drag me out of the ring, and now every time I wrestle in Texas the fans and wrestlers respect me.

The promoters receive me with open arms, the people don't like me there, but they come to see me and that puts plenty of money in my pockets."

Her highness makes all her wrestling and street clothes and has one of the most beautiful of wrestling wardrobes. She is married to Buddy Lee, a wrestler, promoter, and glamour boy.

She wrestles six nights a week and has no pet hold. Says it's silly to emphasize any one hold and she gives out with everything in and out of the book. Her only interest is to win no matter what and she always does.

The Fabulous Moolah is the proud owner of such titles as: The worlds heavyweight, Maryland state title, and the $5,000 Gold Diamond studded belt which she has defended and up to this date has retained.

TEXAS RASSLIN'
By "Texas" Bob Utter

Tosh Togo, the toughest export to come out of Japan since the Kamikaze, originated a new version of the sleeper hold and in doing so dethroned Dick Steinborn for the Texas heavyweight crown before a sellout gathering of over 8,000 at the City Auditorium in a promotional masterpiece exploited by Morris P. Sigel.

Tosh, 240, brother of the Great Togo, applies the new hold with his legs, making it a combination sleeper and choke. Fans protested to referee Otto Kuss but the popular Lone Star State official said things were legal.

The roughian from the Land of Nippon won the first session in 12:28 with a series of chops but Steinborn roared back to annex second honors in 7:49 with a series of well placed dropkicks. The Oriental star captured the third and deciding frame with his "new" sleeper.

One of the headline bouts on the card saw Johnny Valentine, 235, Seattle, Wash., one of the most popular grapplers to ever wrestle in Texas, grapple to a 15 minute stalemate with Jesus Cardenas, 325, Mexico City, in a sizzling "Pier 6" encounter.

Pepper Gomez, 205, Los Angeles, Calif., took the measure of Tokyo Joe, 245, with a well placed drop kick in 12:32 while Rito Romero, 205, Mexico City, bounced Crybaby Bob Corby, 225, Hollywood, Calif., for an easy win.

Beautiful Penny Banner, 140, with more curves than a national highway, won a sizzler from Laura Martinez, 142, Mexico City, while Dangerous Danny McShane, 220, Houston, Tex., whipped Sugi Sito, 215, Hong Kong, with a two fisted attack.

RING FLASHES
By Betty Krieger

One of the Tolos boys, Chris had an unfortunate accident in the Boston Gardens ring but we hear he is out of the hospital and mending.

. . . . Gene, "Mr. America", Stanlee has won the Australian and Greek titles on a recent jaunt overseas. . . . The Great Scott is adding to his material properties . . . newest acquisition is a car wash which he adds to his Camden Motel. . . He says he keeps his money in a Scotch bank . . . it's hard to get it out that way.

Paul Anderson, the Olumpic weight lifter, was well received here on the East Coast, he is well liked by the fans who are thrilled by his feats of strenth, Paul is a very soft spoken man, and is cat-like fast. He is destined to become one of the top stars to hit the East Coast. His manager, Jim Crockett lives in South Carolina. Jim was here the Friday nite Paul made his debut, but we didn't know his connection with Paul until they left. Paul met Steve Stanle whom he defeated in an all action bout. Steve proved himself no softie, and can not be sold short. That boy can wrestle, clowning or not, Shades of Buddy Lee, boys who have long hair, pull their own hair, and then draw the referee's attention to the opponent that has a head lock in process. Often the hold being broken, actually the boy who complains of his hair being pulled by the opponent is pulling his own hair. Buddy Lee had perfected that trick originally and it is a cute one.

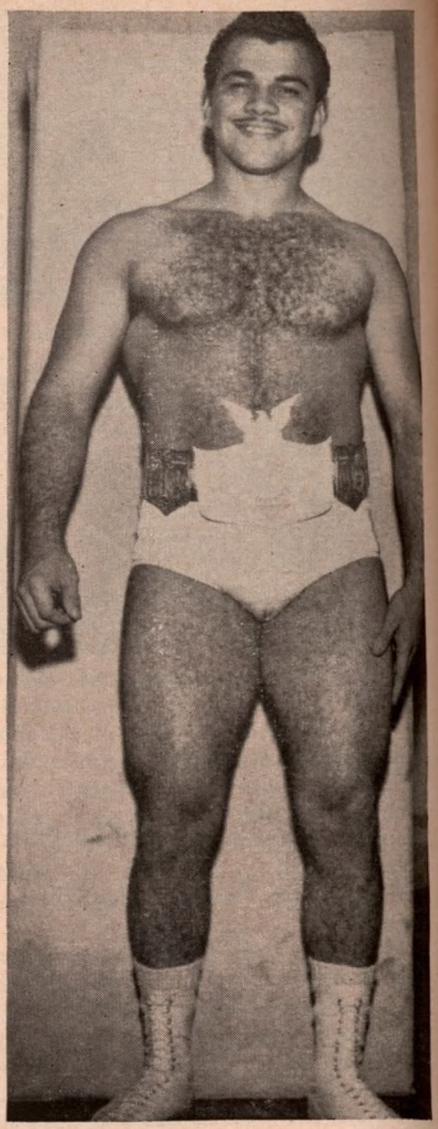
GALVESTON

Promoter Norm Clark's big card of the month at the City Auditorium in Galveston saw the tag tandem of El Medico, former Texas state heavyweight king, and Pepper Gomez, the 205 pound bundle of muscle and speed from Los Angeles, Calif., defeat the duo of Duke Keomuka, 215, Honolulu, and Johnny Valentine, 230, Seattle, Wash., in a two best of a three-fall encounter before 1,500 frantic fans.

Valentine won the first fall for his team by trouncing Gomez in 9:00 with knee lifts and judo chops. Gomez returned honors by downing Blonde Johnny with an airplane spin in 4:32. The third and deciding session went to Medico over Keomuka.

Sugi Sito, 215, Hong Kong, downed Chico Bonales, 205, Mexico City, in a scientific bout. The clever Chinese star used a reverse back-stretch to defeat Bonales. The time was 9:29.

Blonde Penny Banner, wrestling's answer to Bridgett Bardot at a well



Miguel Perez, Puerto Rican Champion, who is often seen as a part of the tag team which features Antonino Rocca. They have been a winning combination in Madison Square Garden, New York, for months and have helped to sell out the Garden whenever they appeared.

Gypsy Joe, currently campaigning with success in Florida rings, who has won the NWA 185 pounds championship and is now aiming for the heavier title. He is rough and tough.

curved 140 pounds, took the likes of Charming Kay Noble into camp for first fall honors but dropped the second and third fall to the classy and clever Noble.

Single bout action saw Medico defeat Valentine with Duke Keomuka and Pepper Gomez going to a stalemate in the opener. Referee Marvin Jones disqualified Valentine for receiving help from his manager Sammy Green. Green's aid from the outside of the ring cost his charge (Valentine) the match.

PACIFIC COAST
By Ed Briggs

Two of the nation's top ranked heavyweight wrestlers, Ronnie (Wonder Boy) Etchison of Santa Cruz, Calif., and "Nature Boy" Buddy Rogers of Camden, N. J., joined forces in a surprising but beneficial move at Oakland, Calif., recently to defeat the NWA World Heavyweight Tag Team Champions, Gene (Strutter) DuBuque of NYC and Mike Valentine of Malta. What is so surprising to the Rogers-Etchison team is that both men wrestle exactly opposite styles but seem to work smoothly together. Rogers, the blonde dandy, who put Lou Thesz in the hospital for a few days in Los Angeles last summer, and Etchison, the ex-Pacific Coast heavy kingpin and one-time holder of numerous regional championships, seem to have the magic ingredient for success. Their whipping of the DuBuque-Valentine team was welcomed by coast mat bugs.

Nickie Warren, the smooth and powerful abdominal stretch expert from Los Angeles, is doing very well in the San Francisco region. Warren recently came to the northern California territory after a brief stay in southern California where he met such stars as Billy Varga, Fritz Von Ulm, Czaya Nandor and Billy Darnell. Crew-cut Warren is one to watch. . . . Bobby Ford is still doing well in Ohio territory. Young and speedy Ford, who was ranked as one of the country's top junior heavyweights before he suffered a broken neck several seasons ago, is reputed to be better than ever. . . . Eric Pedersen and Henry Lenz are the Northwest Tag Team Champions and are actively defending their laurels in the big Pacific Northwest territory against all comers. Pedersen recently joined forces with Lenz after a lengthy tour of Hawaii, Australia and New Zealand. . . . Lord James Blears, the well-versed British mat ace who is claiming the British Empire title, lost out in a recent bloody brawl with Buddy Rogers at Fresno. Blears, who has aimed for a bout with Rogers for the latter's claim to the world heavyweight title, was unable to continue after being hooked in Rogers' deadly leg hold, "The German Clutch." Rogers is one of the finest matmen this writer has seen in years, he knows what he is doing.

Fast moving Georgie Drake, the young Catalina Island, Calif., mat star is wrestling for Joe Malcewicz out of San Francisco. Georgie, is a protege of Ed (Strangler) Lewis. He has suffered but one California loss on his latest trek and that to Buddy Rogers. Gaining experience with each and every bout, Drake learns fast and is a crowd pleaser. Talented not only in the ring, Georgie Drake, an accomplished commercial artist, can do very well for himself as an artist. He's a former paratrooper and can handle himself well. . . . Pat Fraley, one of the few mat stars who has become a legend in his lifetime, is now embarked on another nation-wide wrestling tour as a tag partner for his offspring, 25-year-old Freddie Fraley. Now residing in Burbank, Calif., veteran Pat Fraley, a fellow who has met the best and bypassed the rest of them, holds the all-time Fresno (Calif.) record for wins and is still ready to mix it with anyone at anytime.

A flaming red-head from Bluefield, West Virginia, Peggy Allen has a temper to match her hair. Standing 5' 5½" and weighing in at 138 pounds, Peggy was pretty enough for Hollywood but turned down a film career for wrestling and has never been sorry.

"Wild Bill" Savage, the reckless Oregonian, who is making his first California jaunt this season is undefeated in Los Angeles. Savage, ex-Pacific Northwest heavy champion, is a former sailor. Sepia ace Reginald Siki, the sensational Seattle heavyweight, has returned to Los Angeles after a 12 year absence. One of the all time gate stars in southern California rings, Siki is a welcome addition. . . . Juan Humberto, the ageless veteran from San Francisco, is now in Hawaii along with Tiny Mills, Stan (I'm Mean) Kowalski, Jerry Gordet, George Bollas and Lucky Simunovich. . . . Al Steinhauer, a veteran wrestler and referee who retired several years ago from active competition, is doing well and operates a motel at Morro Bay, Calif. Steinhauer, though never a champion, had all of the makings and was responsible for many west coast SRO houses. . . . Flash Gordon, one of wrestling's finest idols, is also on the retired list and living in San Francisco where he represents a brewery. . . .

"Iron Mike" Valentine (left) annd team-mate "Strutter" Gene Du Buque posing with their Oscar, emblematic of their winning the Heavy Tag Team title from Ramon Torres and Nickie Bockwinkie in California, U. S. A.

In January, Al Dermer, veteran wrestling-boxing matchmaking and promoter at Fresno in California's rich central valley, will begin his 18th consecutive year at mat impressario in the raisin capitol of the world. Genial Dermer is a man admired by wrestlers and fans alike for his fair play.

WRESTLING NOTES FROM THE SOUTH
By Gene Gordon

Charlotte's Coliseum was the scene of another big wrestling event. Over 9,000 fans watched this all star card in the big dome.

They came hoping to see Ernie Dusek defeat and unmask "The Great Bolo," but went away disappointed. Bolo, who has a winning streak dating back for several months, has a reputation for a rough style of grappling and using his head as a battering ram to knock his foes into submission. He is the most hated and talked about wrestler to appear here in years.

Whether the mystery man really has a hidden weapon inside the mask or only a hard head has yet to be revealed.

Dusek entered the ring wearing a head gear used to protect boxers in training, but it proved to be his downfall as it later backfired. It worked against the head smashes of Bolo. But after splitting a fall apiece, Dusek downed Bolo with a flying tackle, and

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Seen and Heard in new york

By JERSEY JONES

THE March of Progress continues to raise havoc with historic citadels of sport.

After several years of rumors and denials, Mechanics Hall, or Building, in Boston is finally coming down to make way for a massive new business and entertainment center. Dismantling of the ancient edifice is scheduled to begin the first week in December.

With the passing of Mechanics, the St. Nicholas Arena here in New York will be justified in advertising itself as the "oldest active fight club in America." Until now, the St. Nick's right to that billing has been unauthorized by the facts. Mechanics is much older both in actual years and association with boxing.

St. Nick's was opened in 1896 as a hockey and ice skating rink, and it wasn't until 1908 or '09 that glove-tossing was introduced there.

Mechanics had its first get-together with the trade in 1883, a year or two after the building was completed.

On that occasion, a gala testimonial to John L. Sullivan, recently crowned heavyweight champion of America, attracted a capacity crowd of 12,000, which included many of the leading political personalities of the state and city, as well as such outstanding ring performers as Steve Taylor, Joe Coburn, Mike Cleary, Arthur Chambers, Billy Edwards, Tom Allen, Jake Kilrain, Joe Goss, George Godfrey, Patsy Sheppard, Bob Farrell and Bill Bushy, all of whom appeared in exhibition bouts.

Following the Sullivan shindig, Mechanics' early boxing history is somewhat vague. We've been unable to learn if any shows were staged in the building until 1908. Mechanics may have been too large for the average Boston fight crowd in those days. Even though the Hub was a hot-bed of fistic activity, the sport's appeal was to a limited percentage of the citizenry. Prize-fighting was considered too rowdy and boisterous for the so-called "better elements," and the normal attendance at a prizefight probably didn't number much more than a few hundred. A turnout of a thousand was regarded as exceptionally good and a couple of smaller halls in and around Boston were spacious enough to accommodate gatherings of that size.

AMATEURS STARTED IT.

In 1908, when amateur boxing was becoming tremendously popular, Mechanics was selected as the site of the National A.A.U. championships. For the next twenty years the medal-chasers held forth there annually with their title tourneys. (We recall some meets when the entry list was so packed with contestants that three rings were in simultaneous use.)

The Arena, then the main center of professional activity in Boston, burned down in 1918 and the money performers shifted their operations to Mechanics. By now the glove-tossing profession was solidly established with the Hub populace and Mechanics was no longer too large for a fight crowd. In fact, at times it wasn't large enough. For the better part of the next decade the building bustled with fistic doings, and a sellout or near-sellout attendance became the rule rather than the exception.

New England was loaded with outstanding talent in those busy years. Eddie Shevlin, Tommy (Young Kloby) Corcoran, Johnny Wilson, George Robinson, Nate Siegel, Freddie Yelle, Pal Reed, Terry Martin, Al Shubert, Bobby Dyson, Al Friedman, Jack Delaney, Joe Eagan, Tommy Robson, Young Montreal, Johnny Vacca, Red Chapman, Louis (Kid) Kaplan, Jack Sharkey, Jim Maloney, Dick (Honeyboy) Finnegan, Chick Suggs, Sammy Fuller, Al Mello and Lou Brouillard were only some of the many Down Easterners who displayed their wares in Mechanics.

It seemed that everybody who was anybody in the sock market in those days appeared at some time or another in the old building. To complete with the locals—and sometimes against each other—Eddie Mack, who did most of promoting there, brought in such national headliners as Jack Dillon, Ted (Kid) Lewis, Jack Britton, Johnny Kilbane, Jeff Smith, Benny Leonard, Battling Levinsky, Mike O'Dowd, Harry Greb, Johnny Dundee, Willie Jackson, Pete Herman, Bermondsey Billy Wells, Mike Gibbons, Dave Shade, Babe Herman, Georgie Ward, Pete Latzo, Frankie Genaro, Jimmy Jones, Frank Moody, Mickey Walker, George Cook, Ted Moore, Pancho Villa, Tiger Flowers, Charley Weinert, Bud Gorman and Jock Malone.

FIGHTING TO THE END.

During the mid-'20's competition from the rebuilt Arena began to take some business away from Mechanics, and big-time boxing there suffered an even tougher jolt when the Boston Garden opened in 1928, but the ancient edifice refused to admit that its usefulness as a fight center was ended. Through the last three decades it continued to operate on an occasional basis, generally when the Garden or the Arena was not available for fisticuffing dates. Most of New England's top ringsters in recent years fought in Mechanics, among them Willie Pep, Tommy Collins and Tony DeMarco.

Promoter Sam Silverman is said to be contemplating a fitting farewell to Mechanics, before the wreckers get to work on it. If Sad Sam's plans materialize, he'll stage a final fight card there, and make an Old Home Night of the occasion by rounding up, and introducing from the ring, all the available local favorites who contributed so much to Mechanics' great boxing history.

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SYDNEY STADIUM OLDEST.

While on the subject of old fight clubs, the Sydney Stadium in Australia recently celebrated its 50th anniversary.

Although it is generally believed that the Stadium was built for the Jack Johnson-Tommy Burns heavyweight title bout in December, 1908, it actually was opened for business four months before.

When Burns, then world champion, arrived in Australia on his 'round-the-world junket, Bill Squires was waiting for

him with another challenge. A difficult guy to convince was Boshter Bill. He had been flattened by Burns in one round in California and again in eight rounds in Paris, but on his home soil Squires was sure he could beat Tommy in a third try.

The match became a hot attraction with the sports-minded Australians, and Promoter Hughie McIntosh had no trouble signing the rivals for Sydney. There was no arena in town large enough for the bout, however, so McIntosh had one built in the Rushcutter's Bay district. It was a rambling open-air structure, with a seating capacity of 20,000 and room for 5,000 standees. The bout, attracting a near sellout, drew a gate of $67,000, an Australian high at that time. Squires didn't beat Burns, but he did improve on his American and French showings. He lasted until the thirteenth round.

The Johnson-Burns affair, four months later, set what up to then was a world record for boxing receipts, 20,140 customers contributing $131,000 to the McIntosh coffers.

COLORFUL HISTORY.

For continuous service, the Sydney Stadium probably is the oldest active fight center in the world. It may not be as old in actual years as either Mechanics Hall in Boston or our own St. Nick here in New York, but it has been functioning steadily, year in and year out, for a half-century, whereas both Mechanics and the St. Nick have known occasional lulls in their fistic schedules.

When McIntosh stepped out as promoter, to become a newspaper publisher and later a theatrical producer, the Sydney Stadium was taken over by a syndicate of sportsmen headed by the late, fabulous Snowy Baker. They later added arenas in Melbourne and Brisbane and became known as Stadiums, Ltd.

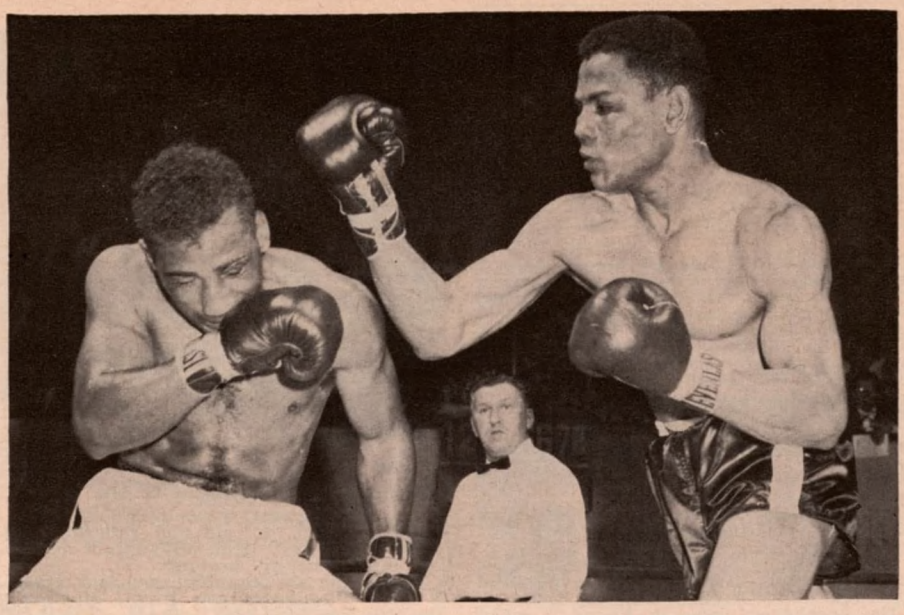
Through the years the organization's personnel has undergone frequent alterations, but the shows have kept going. Even when the original arena burned down in 1955, after more than forty years of action, the Melbourne branch continued to promote in smaller halls in town while a larger, modern stadium was being erected to replace the old one. Recently we heard that the arena in Brisbane has been, or is about to be, torn down after forty-seven years of service and its site used for a new entertainment center.

Meanwhile, the aging, weather-beaten Sydney Stadium still keeps plugging away. Originally an outdoor arena, it long ago added a roof to make it available for year-'round operations, and through this last half-century it has been the scene of some historic battles.

Americans and Europeans played important roles during the lush years of Australian boxing, from 1908 through 1916. Among the scores of prominent Yanks who appeared in the Sydney Stadium were Sam Langford, Sam McVea, Jim Barry, Jeff Smith, Billy Papke, Cyclone Johnny Thompson, Eddie McGoorty, Jimmy Clabby, Billy Murray, George Chip, Joe Shugrue, Milburn Saylor, Babe Picato, Joe Welling and Harry Stone. Britishers included Pat O'Keefe, Johnny Summers, Bandsman Rice, Owen Moran, Matt Wells and Ted (Kid) Lewis. France exported Paul Til, Ercole de Balzac, Jean Audouy, Leon Bernstein, Leon Truffier and Jean Poesy. Denmark was represented by Waldemar Holberg and South Africa by Arthur Douglas.

Australia was ably represented in those exciting years by one of the finest assortments of ringsters the island continent has ever known at one time. The great but ill-fated Les Darcy headed the local contingent and was well supported by the likes of Hughie Mehegan, Mick King, Dave Smith, Herb McCoy, Fred Kay, Hock Keys and Jerry Jerome.

There has been talk of late that the old Stadium, now a crumbling dilapidated relic, may be nearing the end of its long, industrious career. The property is owned by a railroad which runs alongside the arena, and reports have it that the choo-choo officials are planning to demolish the ancient swatatorium to make way for a freight terminal.



Ex-Olympian Jose Torres (right) posted his sixth straight win as a professional by battering Otis Woodard into defeat in five rounds before sellout crowd at reopening of St. Nicholas Arena. The show was not televised, which accounted for large turnout.

ST. NICK'S OUTLOOK.

As this is being written, the future of boxing at the St. Nicholas Arena cannot be regarded as exactly encouraging. Much depends on whether or not the club can grab a profitable TV deal before Lester Malitz's $20,000 is used up.

Gambling on his ability to promote a television contract for the arena, TV maestro Malitz is said to have underwritten Teddy Brenner and his associates for the 20 G's to cover any losses suffered by the club in its weekly presentations without video.

After the first three cards, no television proposition had yet materialized and we wouldn't know how much of Malitz's "insurance" had been used.

Certainly the club hadn't shown much profit, if, indeed, it showed any profit at all. The operating overhead at the St. Nick is a heavy one and makes promoting there a risky gamble without the protection of TV revenue.

The place is limited in capacity. Even with standing room permitted, it can accommodate only about 3,200. At its current admission prices a complete sellout would gross little more than $7,000.

First, federal and state taxes have to be deducted. Combined, they'd take about $1,000.

Then, the officials—referees, judges, doctors, announcer, et al.—represent $200.

On a sellout gross of $7,000, the net would melt down to $5,800.

The average preliminary card costs between $650 and $900. Then there's the very important matter of the main event, which usually works on a percentage of the net receipts. Any attraction capable of playing to a sellout would take from 40 to 50 percent, or from $2,300 to $2,900.

Add up these figures and you'll find that on a $7,000 gross gate the outlay ranges from a minimum of $4,150 to a maximum of $5,000. That would seem to leave the promoters with something to spare for themselves, but let's go further into the problem.

For one thing, there's the rental, which happens to be a big one at St. Nick's, $1,000.

Then, there are such items as printing (tickets and showcards), help (box-office men, ticket takers, ushers, special police and dressing room attendants), along with salaries for preliminary matchmaker Duke Stefano and publicist Charley Vackner, not to mention the office rental, telephone bills and miscellaneous entries for the club's headquarters at 8th Avenue and 51st Street. Out of whats left, it hardly seems likely that either Brenner or his first lieutenant, Irving Cohen, is apt to wind up in the higher income tax brackets.

P.S. When a shows falls short of a sellout, which happens often at St. Nicks, Lester Malitz's bankroll can be a mighty handy thing to have around.

AROUND THE RING.

George (Emperor Jones) Gainfords unbeaten young Detroit welter, Ted Wright, is finding the pickin's right juicy over in Europe. Fighting mainly in France and Italy, Wright has now run off twelve wins in eight months. His latest victim was the Danish veteran Chris Christensen, whom he whipped in Rome.

An amazing character, Sam Silverman. After all the time and effort he put in on the Hogan Bassey-Willie Pep bout in the Boston Garden, Sad Sam was back on his Toonerville circuit with a card in Providence two nights later. Silverman certainly is keeping the fight business alive in New England. He operates on the theory that no town is too large or too small for his attention. Besides Boston and Providence, his promotions this year have taken him to Holyoke, North Adams, New Bedford, Revere Beach and Athol in Massachusetts and to Bangor, Fort Fairfield and Presque Isle in Maine. What, no East Lynne?

It was a fortunate development for the city's fans that St. Nick's got back into action when it did. Otherwise, New York would have sunk to another low for a month's ring activity, with only one card staged in Madison Square Garden. The annual Rodeo crowded out any further fistic doings in the Garden.

THE month's results:

Squaring accounts for his only defeat in 28 previous professional outings, Carlos Ortiz, 137, Bronx, edged out Johnny Busso, 140, Astoria, in a nip-and-tuck return ten in Madison Square Garden. Busso was the aggressor most of the way and did his most effective work in the infighting, but Ortiz's speed and sharper punching at long range proved the deciding factors. Neither rival seemed in serious trouble at any time and the only noticeable damage suffered by either was a slight cut at the corner of Busso's left eye. Matchmaker Jack Barrett, who has been doing a swell job with supporting cards, came up with another action-packed program. In a slugging semi-final ten, Charley Powell, 213, San Diego, Cal., was returned the official winner over Bob Biehler, 187, Rochester, N. Y., but the verdict was not too popular with the onlookers. In another lively heavyweight number, Len Kanthal, 204, Washington, D. C., was handed his first setback in eleven pro outings when Larry Zernick, 200, Springfield, Mass., outfought him in eight. In fours, Doug Jones, 162½, Harlem, demolished Vince Ferguson, 165½, Bronx, at 1:12 of the second and Don Warner, 184½, Philadelphia, was in a hurry disposing of Ray Batey, 189½, East Elmhurst. The affair lasted only 47 seconds of one round.

▶ Reopening after a summer vacation of seven weeks, but without competition from television, St. Nicholas Arena reported the first sellout crowd in nine years, 3,216 clients contributing gross receipts of $7,174.71 for a lively card headed by ex-Olympian Jose Torres, 160, Puerto Rico, and Otis Woodard, 160, Memphis, Tenn. It was Torres' sixth start as a professional but his first over the scheduled ten-round distance. A stablemate of Floyd Patterson's, with the same peek-a-boo stance of the heavyweight champion, Torres didn't have to travel the full route. Checking Woodard at the end of the fifth, Dr. Sam Swetnick, club physician, advised Referee Petey Della to halt proceedings. Woodard, despite the advice of chief second

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER

IKE CHESTNUT punched himself into a job as a movie actor at Hollywood Legion Stadium. Seems that Sammy Davis, Junior, was a ringside spectator when Ike jabbed Jose Luis Cotero practically at will, scored the only knockdown of the fight, and caught the eyes of all three officials as well as every customer in the house.

A crowd of 4,100 was on hand; gross gate, $5436.

That's no joke about Sammy Davis. He has always been an enthusiastic fight-fan, and especially admires a skilled craftsman. Certainly Ike Chestnut comes within that category.

To Cotero, Ike Chestnut seemed like a guy with three left hands, and all of them kept poking Jose Luis in the phiz.

The decision tells the story: Referee Lee Grossman, 97-90; Judge Dynamite Jackson, 98-89, and Judge Tommy Herman, 98-92.

The knockdown came in Round 7, when Chestnut caght Cotero in a neutral corner.

This was Chestnut's 6th victory in seven local starts. His only defeat was to Pajarito Moreno, and there were mitigating circumstances connected with that one.

The six-round semi was unique: Bobby Sand, 170, was on the receiving end of a two-fisted barrage for three rounds; in the fourth, he suddenly exploded, nailed Dick Guerrero, 171½, and the latter went down; hit the back of his head on the ropes, and was out for two full minutes.

The fours: Billy Bollin, 143, dec. Bobby Vasquez, 143½. Ed Hickman, 151, dec. Johnny Smith, 149½, and Enoch Mapes, 129 dec. Ricki Palma, 127½.

▶ Yes, we have a new state middleweight champion in California. His name is Hank (Hurry Up) Casey, San Francisco youngster, and he snatched the crown from Neal Rivers at Hollywood Legion Stadium in an interesting 12-rounder. Casey, 155½; Rivers, 159.

It was a close, but unanimous verdict. Referee Mushy Callahan scored it 116-115; Judge George Latka, 116-114; and Judge Joey Olmos, 117-115.

A strong finish by the 23-year old San Franciscan caught the eyes of the officials. It could have gone either way at the end of the 11th. There were no knockdowns.

In the six-round semi, Kid Rayo, 149, Nicaragua, took the unanimous verdict over Eddie Gilbert, 148. The fours: Chuck Whitaker, 133 KO (2) over Ed Goodin, 131½; Larry Mercer, 147, drew with Jesse Poole, 147½; and Willie Lewis, 161, dec. Lloyd Cook, 156.

▶ Handsome Mauro Vasquez, Mexico, 130½, scored his 19th straight win (and his 15th knockout) over Jimmy Moser, state featherweight champ, 131½, at the Olympic Auditorium, and thereby became the foremost idol of Southern California Latin fans. At the moment, that is.

A crowd of 6700 paid $9,350 to see Mauro climb the ladder and become a potential challenger for Hogan Bassey's crown.

Only 19, curly-haired and dreamy-eyed, Mauro is the answer to a maiden's prayer. And a promoter's, too. Our local scribes went ga-ga over him. One called him "Mighty Mauro" another, "Marvelous Mauro" and a third, "Magnificient Mauro". By that time they ran out of adjectives.

Vasquez scored three knockdowns, the third one for keeps.

In the six-round semi, Phil Ortiz, 117, and Pico Campo, 118, battled a sensational draw. Fans tossed mucho dinero in the ring. The fours: Richard Kirby, 136, dec. Joe Tarin, 135; Edmond Edwards, 130½ KO (2) over Ralph Lemos, 134, and Bob Anderson, 155, dec. Willie Lewis, 155½.

▶ Racking up his fifth straight Los Angeles triumph, and thereby apparently clinching a match with Hogan (Kid) Bassey for the world featherweight title, Davey Moore, Springfield, 129, scored a one-sided triumph over Kid Anahuac, Mexico, 127, at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A.

On hand was a crowd of 5,700 fans, that paid a gross of $12,159, to see the Buckeye brawler, now a solid favorite hereabouts.

No question about the verdict; it was Moore by a mile. Referee Lee Grossman voted 98-90; Judge Dynamite Jackson, 99-89; and Judge Jimmy Wilson, 99-90.

Moore scored the only knockdown of the fight, in the 9th. Moore is the No. 1 contender for Bassey's title on everybody's rating list. There's one rub, however. Manager Biddles is making some rather ridiculous demands, money-wise.

But who else in the 126-pound class deserves priority for a championship scrap?

The six-round semi, between Manny Gallardo, 128, and Dick Page, 126½, was called a draw. Each boy scored a knockdown. It was a thriller, and a certain rematch.

The fours: Rogelio Ybarra, 121, dec. Gus Hurtado, 118; Jess Morales, 132, dec. Ricki Palma, 131½, and Larry Maldonado, 166½, dec. Cal Houston, 163½.

▶ Bumped into my old and valued friend, Jack Root, first light-heavyweight champ, the other smoggy morning.

"Jack, you old scoundrel, you look great", I said. "Ready to fight Archie Moore for the title you once held."

"How much, when and where?" he replied straight-faced. Root celebrated his 82nd birthday on May 26th, last.

▶ Herman Marquez, 119, of Stockton, took a ten round decision over Baby Brown, 120, of Los Angeles and the Philippines, in a spirited encounter at Memorial Auditorium in Stockton.

Marquez, a former national AAU bantamweight champion, closed Brown's left eye with jabs at the end of the sixth round, then battered the Filipino with hard rights for the rest of the contest. Gross receipts were $2865.

Joe Vargas, 125, Stockton, ran his undefeated record to five in decisioning Al Carroll, 125, of Sacramento, in six sessions. In a featured six rounder, Joe Brewer, 158, Fresno, drew with Jim Jones, 154, of Stockton.

Bennie Casing, 116, KO'd Harry Savala, 118, in 1.

▶ Not a California item, but of exceeding interest to local fans, was the triumph of Don Jordan, 141½, over Gaspar Ortega, 145½, up there in Portland, Oregon. It was a split verdict, but two of the officials voted for Jordan, and so did the A. P.

▶ Dwight Hawkins, 123½, a former bantam, made an auspicious debut as a featherweight by knocking out Eddie Gasporra, 128, in 2:06 of the first round. In the process, Hawkins floored Gasporra three times. The scene: Hollywood Legion Stadium.

A straight right to the jaw turned the trick. Gasporra got to his haunches at 5, but was unable to get to his feet before Referee Dick Young counted ten. Some 2500 fans were on hand.

In the six-round semi, Johnny Hayden, Phoenix flash, 182½, spotted his opponent, Eddie Cato, 41 pounds but annexed his 18th straight triumph. Cato weighed 223½.

The fours: Joey Tarin, 135, TKO (4) over Eddie Pace, 135½; Ward Yee, 125½, Frankie Muche's Chinese pride, whipped George Reede, 126½; and Rafael Guttierez, 140, dec. Willis Johnson, 138½.

▶ A sellout house of 6,400 at Hollywood Legion Stadium paid a gross of $10,640 to see Cisco Andrade, 134, score an 8th round TKO over former lightweight champ Lauro Salas, 129. Andrade had the edge in every round. It was Lauro's poorest showing in a local ring.

Andrade, former title contender, scored repeatedly with left jabs and right crosses, and seemed to have punched himself right back into contention.

In a sensational six-round semi, newcomer Burt Singer of Seattle, 128½, finished strongly to box a draw with favored Willie Lucero, 134. Delighted fans showered the boys with silver at the finish.

The fours: David Comacho, 136, dec. Ricki Palma, 132½; Willie Bell, 149½, dec. Cliff Hawkins, 171½, and Gaston Jones, 146½, defeated Joe White, 136½.

▶ Post-mortem comment following the Carmen Basilio-Art Aragon fight at Wrigley Field, here, last September 5th, was rather interesting. Most of our columnists had something to say about it, pro and con.

John Hall of the Mirror-News, after pointing out that the deflated Golden Boy had been "buried more times than Dracula, but always survived as popularly unpopular as ever", states that Aragon now seeks a match with Virgil Akins, current welter boss.

John also gave the final breakdown: gross gate, $236,521. State tax, $10,904; Federal tax, $20,486; net gate, $203,078; attendance 20,565.

And it was the fourth time since last November that Los Angeles exceeded $200,000 for a boxing contest—three of them, Halimi-Macias, Bassey-Moreno and Patterson-Harris—being title bouts.

Aragon received $63,500, there or thereabouts, for the Basilio fight and to quote Damon Runyon, he probably cried all the way to the bank.

He was, reportedly, offered a $10,000 guarantee to fight Stan Harrington, Hawaiian hatchet-man, in Honolulu.

Other promoters have offered him impressive sums to meet this-or-that guy. He'd be silly to turn down some of these offers, even though he is obviously not the Aragon of yore. I've seen Art's hand raised over some pretty good guys, but that was when he was in his prime.

It was a washed-up Golden Boy against a fired-up Basilio.

▶ And now comes the reports from Jerry Mullany on fights that he has attended in places I cannot get to:

▶ The San Francisco Bay Area abounds in "better than fair" lightweights, and one of the busiest and capable of these journeymen is Johnny Wills, of Oakland. The most recent opponent to sample Johnny's wares was veteran Teddy (Red Top) Davis. Wills outpointed Davis in a ten-rounder at the Auditorium in Richmond.

Though listed as a featherweight, Davis weighed 136 to Wills' 133.

Promoter Jimmy Cosenza counted a gross of $1565.

Davis, now a San Jose resident, flashed some of the form which made him a featherweight title contender. But he was always an instant slower than the extra-sharp Wills. Davis did his best work in the fourth, which was rated even. All press observers gave the other sessions to Wills.

Referee Tony Bosnich, only official, scored it 99-94 for Wills.

Gene LaForte, 147, TKO'd Jerry Hunnicutt, 151, in 3 (Hunnicutt bleeding over left eye); Johnny Huston, 162, dec. Lou Andrade, 162, in six; Billy Marshall, 171, outpointed Tommy Villa, 172, in six.

It has not been ascertained whether Morris Leviege, he of the ponderous punch, keeps a clipping book. But some of his friends do, and the most prominent page is a newspaper photo of Leviege flooring Cisco Andrade for an eight count in a San Jose bout a couple of years ago. (Andrade took the decision in 10 rounds.)

Occupying a less prominent portion of the Leviege fistic annals is the result of Morris' most recent venture—in the Civic Auditorium in Stockton. Kid Javellana, 139, welterweight champion of the Philippines, was credited with an eight round knockout over Leviege. Leviege, scaled 140½.

Referee Pete Morelli stopped the fight at 1:03 of the eighth when Javellana's punches closed Leviege's eyes.

As was the case with many other Filipino fistic invaders, Javellana's battle in Stockton was his first on the mainland.

An attendance of 1148 contributed to a gross of $2105.

Joe Brewer, 161, dec. Cleo Frazier, 164, in 6; Joe Vargas, 124, KO'd Max Telles, 129, in 2; Benny Casing, 116, stopped Ruben Cardenas, 119, in 1.

▶ Two still young and extremely speedy lightweight veterans, hopeful of getting champ Joe Brown within target range, matched jabs, hooks and ring strategy in Oakland when Johnny Gonsalves, 136, of Oakland, took a close decision from Cisco Andrade, 135, the Compton Comet.

The contest at the Oakland Civic Auditorium grossed $12,500. It was rated the best Oakland fight of the year, and also was a year's top in gate receipts for the trans-Bay city.

The officials voted as follows: Referee Jack Silver, 97-94; Judge Vern Bybee, 97-94; Judge Jack Downey, 96-94—all for Gonsalves. Press consensus was 96-95.

Andrade, in the midst of a busy comeback campaign, was an 8-5 favorite. Gonsalves, often accused of too much "safety first" tactics, kept throwing punches and taking chances throughout.

With matters about even at the opening of the ninth, Gonsalves had his best round. In the tenth, with Andrade tossing all his artillery and Gonsalves moving forward and trading punches, the fans were treated to a rousing finish. Officials and writers rated the last round even.

Jerry Hunnicutt, 152, Menlo Park, pounded out a decision over Deacon Bryant, 149, Oakland, in six rounds. In another six, Don Kelly, 157, Oakland, took the verdict over Ralph Johnson, 165, of S. F.

The fours: Bob Gayton, 147, dec. Bobby Stevens, 154; Mutt Goodwin, 148, outpointed Fatagi Palega, 150.

▶The magic of Jimmy Carter's name and the local popularity of Rudy Jordan accounted for a $5,800 gross in Duke Garabedian's first promotional venture at Fresno for the Fresno Boxing Club. Deep cuts over his eyes accounted for Carter being declared a KO loser in the sixth round. They had been scheduled for ten at the Fresno Memorial Auditorium. Weights: Jordan, 141; Carter, 139.

State Athletic Commission officials and veteran observers noted that the ex-champion looked sharp, moved around speedily, blocked well and landed often and hard. But the young Jordan connected solidly just as often, and accumulated scar tissue finally proved Carter's undoing.

Jordan, a southpaw, was busily jabbing Carter's open wounds when Referee Johnny Reno halted proceedings in the sixth.

George Kennedy, 196, dec. Leon Hatcher, 200, in 6; Benny Medina, 143, outpointed Al Azevedo, 149, in 4; Wayne Thornton, 158, KO'd John Heatong, 155, in 2; John Smith, 159, dec. Perry Hicks, 160, in 4.

▶Ten months ago bantamweights Ross Padilla and Johnny Ortega put a Watsonville date line on most of the newspapers in the nation when they provided a fistic oddity. They went 11 rounds instead of the scheduled ten through a timekeeper's error. Recently they engaged in a return bout in the same Watsonville ring. This went the regulation ten sessions, with Padilla getting the decision.

Padilla had also won in the early 1958 encounter. Weights: Padilla, of Stockton, 119; Ortega, of Oakland 116. Padilla's heavier punching and constant aggressiveness won him Referee Vern Bybee's 99-94 verdict.

The program was promoted by Mickey Caspar.

In a scheduled six-rounder, Joe Gunther, 168, Stockton, knocked out Sammy Johnston, 160, in 45 seconds of round two.

Doug Garrett, 148, dec. Lowell Hunter, 142, in 4; Al Conley, 144, drew with Cecil Bell, 145, (3 round exhibition.).

▶Ringwise Buddy McDonald of Canada was extra sharp, and San Francisco favorite Lou Gage was engaging in his first fight in over a year. So Buddy won the decision handily in a ten rounder at the Auditorium in Richmond. Weights: McDonald, 144; Gage, 147.

In the latter part of the fight McDonald had his hands full, as Gage had shaken off his ring rustiness by the sixth round. But McDonald tied up Lou whenever the San Franciscan got dangerous, and finished fast to assure himself of the verdict. Referee was Johnny Lotsey.

George Sullivan, 140, dec. Deacon Bryant, 4; Bill Page, 153, KO'd El Newman, 151, in 1; Howard Pasley, 138, halted Bonny Martinez in 2.

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA BOXING
By Larry Martin

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA HELD ITS FIRST BIG TIME boxing show, at the Anchorage High School gymnasium, which has a seating capacity of 3,900.

The card was made up of three ten rounders and one four rounder. Roger Rouse of Montana won a ten round decision from Cal Houston of Los Angeles. Denny Moyer, Portland, Ore., welterweight, decisioned Connie Citizen of California, also in ten. Phil Moyer, Portland, middleweight, took a ten rounder from Paul Perkins.

In the four rounder, Jim Bull Tolliver, retired for a few years and is now with the Air Force stationed at Anchorage, knocked out Jim Nelson of Anchorage in the second round. They are light heavyweights. This was Nelson's first pro fight.

The show was promoted by myself, Larry Martin, and the matchmaker was Tommy Moyer of Portland, Ore. Tickets were $5, $3 and $2 and $1.50 for military personnel.

Speedy lightweight veteran Johnny Gonsalves took a close ten round decision from Cisco Andrade at Oakland in a bout rated as the best seen in that city this year.

MOBILE, ALA., BOXING
Art Drago

MOBILE, ALA.—WELTERWEIGHT GUY SUMLIN DECISIONED RAY GRECO OF Denver over ten rounds in the feature attraction of what turned out to be the dullest card here in many months. It was the first card here since August 25 as bad weather forced postponement of a scheduled program in September.

Sumlin, showing the effects of a five-week layoff, looked somewhat less than sharp against Greco although he won the bout easily to stretch his unbeaten record to 14 fights. All three officials had Sumlin far ahead on points.

Al (Duke) Malone, Mobile welter, continued his winning ways in the night's semifinal, grabbing an eight-round decision over Clifford Lester, a veteran Houston battler. Cheffy Reynax, another Mobile welter, stopped Marlin Moore in the third round of a scheduled six-rounder.

The card attracted a paid attendance of 1407 with a gross gate of $3354.

BOXING BITS FROM SINGAPORE
By Little Nene

BECAUSE SINGAPORE DOESN'T HAVE AN EXISTING Boxing Board of Control, nor are the local promoters affiliated with any world's boxing body, RAY MING CHAN, Filipino Chinese featherweight champion locally, is deprived of recognition despite having beaten internationally known fisticuffers. Seven months ago this Chinese kid outpointed KIYOSHI MIURA of Japan TWICE within 30 days, yet despite these setbacks, the Japanese will be fighting LEO ESPINOSA, world's number one bantamweight contender in Tokyo next month for the Oriental bantamweight title.

▶Before a fair crowd, Ming Chan, 125½, kayoed SAMUEL WONG, 124, in the fourth round. WONG, who hails from Sarawak, made a good impression. The Sarawakanian made four trips to the board before the referee halted the fight.

Sonny Chia, 131, and lightweight champion of Malaya, iced EAGLE ISMAIL, 129 of Telok Anson in 2.19 of the first round. Seng Leong, 119, stopped Jimmy Kid, 119, in the 4th. KONG FOO, 116, stopped veteran CISCO KID, 117, in three while GOPAL VALDEZ, 109 and an ex-amateur flyweight champion, making his professional debut, kayoed WEE KEE, 110 in the fourth.

BOXING IN THAILAND
By H. D. Koslowski

THAILAND'S 3RD RANKING FEATHERWEIGHT, Somkiat Lookmatulee, defeated the Hawaiian champion, Rufino Ridella, on a TKO in the 4th round. The fight was a wild slugging affair which had the fans on their feet.

Lookmatulee used his longer reach to full advantage and had Ridella on the floor in the 2nd for a 4-count.

The end came in the 4th where a hard blow closed Ridella's eye which forced the referee to stop the fight.

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FROM OUR READERS

LOUIS WAS BEST

Dear Sir:

I have read many stories about Jack Johnson, including Nat Fleischer's life story in Black Dynamite in which he is rated above all other heavyweights as tops in that division. I know he took the title from Tommy Burns and I know that he licked Jim Jeffries in a fight at Reno.

It took Johnson fourteen rounds to halt little Tommy Burns at Sydney and it took him fifteen rounds to defeat the aged Jeff who had not fought for five years. Jefferies at the time was completely washed up. Yet you figure that the man who beat him should be rated above Dempsey, Louis, Jeff at his best, and Fitzsimmons.

I cannot agree. So far as I am concerned, I think Joe Louis deserves to be put ahead of all. He defended his title more often than anyone and beat the best of his day with ease. And what is more, most of his victories were knockouts.

W. W. Hefferman,
Richmond, Nova Scotia

EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

Your magazine is in need of revision and has been for some time. You disagree? Well then let's argue the point. I have searched for the reason and feel that perhaps it's because the fight game is swinging away westward while you and your staff are still residing in New York. Your fight coverage is not so good as a result. Many of the leading fights in California and other parts of the States are not covered as fully as in past years. Perhaps your men are too busy with other activities to pay the same attention to their work as heretofore. That's for you to decide.

I want to make my criticism constructive hence the following:

1—Where is the assessment of Floyd Patterson as a champion in comparison with Ezzard Charles, Joe Walcott, Rocky Marciano and Joe Louis?

2—How hard can he punch? How clever is he really. Take him apart and see what makes him tick.

3—What sort of a guy is he?

Over in Ireland where I am, we know all about Marciano and Louis, Dempsey and Walcott, thanks to your publication, but what about Patterson? All we know is that he is the champion—beyond that, little.

The Editor should carefully note what his staff is contributing. He should appraise the news value of his stories. He should not let his men nap. Don't let's turn The Ring into a disc jockey monthly. Give us live stories, articles with human interest, the doings of the men in the ring that make ring history. Cover the fights that are not championships with more details than you now give us.

There are many other complaints I can give but I know that you are too busy to pay too much attention to them. Send out your photo men and let's have some pictures of the boxers at home, how they spend their time, pictures of the men with their family etc. That should add interest.

You could hustle more and think more to better The Ring. Get some new life into the publication. It is a great magazine and the best in the world. That's why I don't want to see it deteriorate.

Do your best to keep the US in front. That's where your fighters belong and that's where we Irishmen want them to be.

Over here in Ireland we think a mighty lot of The Ring and the United States and an American victory in the ring is almost the same to us as an Irish one. God bless The Ring Staff. But please, oh, please, give us more of the articles I have outlined.

L. B. Magill,
Carnlough, Co. Antrim, Eire

Ed Note: We wonder where you have been Magill? If you examine the last twelve issues of The Ring you will find on the average two articles and often as many as four on the careers of current boxers, covering the human interest side of their life and highly illustrated.

FOR THE RECORD

Gentlemen:

I work for an oil refinery, located in Paulsboro, N. J. Back in 1944 I had the pleasure of meeting ex-welter weight champion Pete Latzo while he was working with contractors in the Paulsboro refinery. From time to time since then I have been able to see and talk to him. I believe he will be located here until the middle of November. I would like to add that I never met a man who is more of a gentleman. He always has a kind word for all.

I should like to relate how my copy of the 1958 Ring Record Book and Boxing Encyclopedia more than paid for itself. On July 31 I was talking to Pete and I asked him how many bouts he had had. He told me that it was around 150 and I said I would check the number in my Ring Record book.

That evening I read that he was born on August 1, 1902, so my wife and I signed a card and I took it in to work the next day and gave it to him. He did not even remember that it was his birthday for a few minutes before he opened the card. But upon reflection, he broke into a smile as he remembered the date. He thanked me several times and spoke of it often throughout the day. So this will be a very pleasant memory to me.

Richard J. Stevenson,
Paulsboro, N. J.

SOMETHING'S WRONG

Gentlemen:

The Ring ratings and comments are highly regarded but, as all good things merit an amount of criticism, we are offering our views not to criticize, but to offer something which we hope will be constructive and give credit where it should be placed and opportunity for the best fighter in the world to display his wares against leading contenders and champions of both of the heavier classes.

Harold Johnson, of Philadelphia, although a legitimate 175 pounder, is not only a menace to light-heavyweights, all of the ones who are rated refusing to engage him in contest, the heavyweights also shun the "Giant Killer" who has defeated such as Nino Valdez, Bert Whitehurst, Ezzard Charles, Leonard Morrow, Sid Peaks, Bill Gilliam, Henry Hall, Chubby Wright, Bob Satterfield, Jimmy Slade and others in the heavy ranks taking decisions over more heavyweights than anybody in the rated ten. The record shows that Archie Moore won four out of five with Johnson when it should be the other way around. Moore now demands a cool $100,000 to meet Harold and Tony Anthony, Yvon Durelle and even Sonny Liston have refused offers to meet him.

It is a sorry state of affairs in boxing when Ingemar Johansson, Machen, Folley and such are heralded as leading contenders for the heavy title and Archie Moore, Durelle, Anthony, et al., are allowed to perform before TV audiences and a fighter like Harold Johnson, who could beat the whole lot of them, taking them on in successive weeks, is passed up by promoters and

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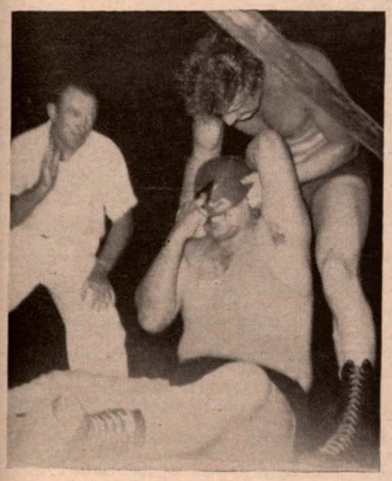
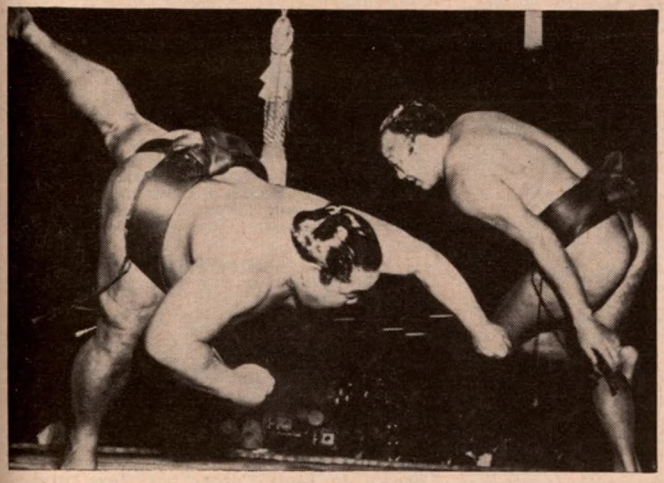


The referee, Leo Voss, warns Red Bastion against removing the mask hiding the identity of "The Great Bolo" in a Charlotte, North Carolina, ring. The Masked Terror won the fight to keep his face a secret and also won the match.

Around and around he goes! . . . Ivan the Terrible getting a spin from Fuzzy Cupid. Cupid shot the works and Ivan not only lost the match but realized that Cupid was not all full of love.



At Tokyo, Japan, Matsunobori, who holds the rank of champion, is seen here on the way to the canvas when he was thrown off balance by his challenger, Ohikari, a 231 pound specimen. How much did the champ weigh? A mere 330. Ohikari won the match.

Girls will be girls! Judy Grable, bare feet and all, being worked over by the Mexican roughie Rita Cortez. Judy was much too pretty to lose—so she won. The blonde bombshell is quickly working her way to the top of the heap.

Heads up! Danny McShane is angered because Dick Steinborn won't cooperate by raising his head so that Danny can get a clean shot. The byplay took place at Houston, Texas in a match that ended in a draw. (Photo by Bob Utter)

RATINGS

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Dick Tiger defeated light heavyweight Yolande Pompey, 10. Charley Joseph defeated Norris Burse, 10. Jose Torres kayoed Frankie (Kid) Anslem, 9.

Claude Williams beat Cat Robinson, 10, and kayoed Leo Bailey, 7. Tom Brown whipped Bernie Ford, 8. Cleo Frazier beat James Jones, 6. Chebo Hernandez kayoed Julius Grimes, 7. Art Holliday beat James Montgomery, 6.

Cal Campbell stopped George King, 5. Gaston Roy kayoed Nick Kovac, 7. Don Fullmer kayoed Curtis Barker, 2. Bernie Stone beat Doug Odo, 6. Willie Green kayoed Al Brown, 1. Kenny Shea beat Johnny Griffiths, 6.

Franz Szuzina defeated Randy Sandy, 10. Oscar Rojas kayoed Cesar Pereyra, 9. Rocky Rivero kayoed Americo Cordoba, 4. Americo also lost to Ubaldo Sacco, 10. Jose Torres stopped Otis Woodard, 5. Benny Droll beat Bobby Lane, 10. Rudy Ellis kayoed Al Sparks, 4.

Ramon Hernandez stopped Lester Brown, 7, and Henry Burton, 6. Sal Fuentes kayoed Luis Rendon, 4. Gaston Roy kayoed Roy Steele, 4. Henry Hank halted Leffie Walker, 6, and Charlie Glover, 1.

Rocky Caballero kayoed John Victor Penn, 5. Jimmy Norris outscored Eddie Gilbert, 10. Rocky Fumerelle kayoed Jimmy Jones, 1.

Joe DeNucci outscored Johnny Cunningham, 8. Joe Cancio won from Manuel Banuelos, 10. Beau Jack Brown won from Fletcher Lee, 8. Yvon Turenne kayoed Willie Wilson, 3.

Billy Tuck halted Jimmy Cousins, 5. Don Fullmer beat Andy Maes, 6. Jesse Smith stopped Abe Linnear, 3, but lost to Ernie Burford, 6. Joe Louis Adair kayoed John Wilson, 3. Tommy Ramirez stopped Manuel Gutierrez, 7. Dillard Jackson beat Kid Rayo, 8.

Mickey Brown won from Chico Garcia, 10. Walter Irby stopped Henry Harper, 3. Bobby Grace kayoed Reg Warrington, 3.

George (Sugar) King kayoed Larry Osbey, 2. Dick D'Orsi kayoed Joe Green, 1. Gene Turley whipped John Pennington, 6. Johnny Ford kayoed Tommy Fields, 3.

Doug Odo beat Kenny Shea, 6. James Roberts kayoed Eddie Osgood, 5. Bill Pate kayoed Helmut Newman, 1. Willie Eaton defeated James Monts, 6. Willie Green stopped Lee Williams, 2, and Johnny Cain, 1. Jerry Hunnicutt beat Deacon Bryant, 6. Harold Redman stopped Arthur Jones, 5. Don Kelly beat Ralph Johnson, 6. Martin Hansen outfought Manolo Correa, 10.

Jose Zapata kayoed Ramon Vega, 3. George Price stopped Sherman Goodman, 5. Andy Anderson whipped Jimmy Welch, 6. Joe Brewer and Jim Jones drew, 6. Joe then beat Johnny Heard, 6. Ramon Correa retained Spanish title by outpointing Francesco Ortega, 12.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Issac Logert and Gerald Gray drew, 10. Ralph Dupas outclassed Gil Turner, 10. Seraphin Ferrer decisioned Marcel Duprez, 10. Joe Miceli kayoed Karl-Heinz Guder, 8.

Johnny Van Rensburg outpointed British Empire Champion George Barnes, 12 (non-title). Eddie Jordan edged out Bill Flamio, 10.

Peter Schmidt beat Yvon Turenne, 6. Joe DiPierro stopped Chico Fisher, 5. Mel Barker beat Clifton Lester, 10. Ronnie Cohen kayoed Bobby Woods, 1. Bobby Bickle kayoed Otis Fuller, 2.

Del Flanagan upset world champion Virgil Akins, 10 (non-title).

Don Jordan upset Gaspar Ortega, 10.

Ralph Dupas defeated Ray Lancaster, 10.

Rudell Stitch stopped Luther Rawlings, 4, but lost to Isaac Logart, 10. Stan Harrington defeated Joe Micell, 10.

Alvaro Gutierrez defeated Charlie (Tombstone) Smith, 10. Cirilo Gil won Argentina title by stopping Martiniano Pereyra, 9. Former champion Johnny Saxton returned to action and beat Barry Allison, 10.

L. C. Morgan whipped Juan Padilla, 10, and kayoed Arnoldo Gil, 8. Gil also fought a draw with Enrique Esqueda, 10. Luis Rodriguez won the Cuban title outpointing Kid Fichique, 12. Ted Wright outfought Chris Christensen, 10.

Larry Baker outpointed Dave Cervantes, 10. Johnny Van Rensburg outpointed Bruno Visintin, 12. Federico Thompson defeated Francisco Espelozin, 10. Denny Moyer won from Julian Valdez, 10, and Connie Citizen, 10.

Willie Morton decisioned Don Barnes, 10. Guy Sumlin defeated Ray Greco, 10. Buddy McDonald defeated Lou Gage, 10, but lost to lightweight Johnny Wills, 10.

Scottish Champion Jimmy Croll was stopped by lightweight Dave Charnley, 4. Marcelo Vargas defeated Ray Terrazas, 10. Terrazas then beat Joe Murphy, 10. Sandy Manuel decisioned Mick Leahy, 8.

Mel Barker decisioned Ray Portilla, 10. Eddie Perkins stopped Cecil Shorts, 2. Ray Contreras kayoed Eddie Rivera, 4. Glen Burgess stopped Floyd Sampson, 6. Jimmy Lane outfought Carleton Wilson, 8, and Don Jones, 6. Paco Castro stopped Apolinar Huerta, 4.

Al Malone kayoed Larry Armstead, 6, and beat Clifton Lester, 8. Danny Jones defeated Ross Calvin, 8. Eddie Connors kayoed Denny Goslow, 3. Jimmy Chavis defeated Don Alderson, 10.

Peter Schmidt defeated Willie Barboie, 6. Sal Hernandez decisioned Vicente Reyes, 8. Miguel Diaz kayoed Cecil Deal, 5. David Perez kayoed Armando Sanchez, 2. Kid Rayo whipped Eddie Gilbert, 6.

Don Ross stopped Al McLean, 6. Battling Poirier won from Norm Gautreau, 8. Henry Gutierrez whipped Tirso Roje, 6, and Joey Limos, 8. Joey then was stopped by Flory Olguin, 4.

Maurice Jenkins stopped Sergio Rios, 4. Jack Flores kayoed Baby Concer, 4.

George Sullivan whipped Deacon Bryant, 6. Chivo Diaz kayoed Carlos Macias, 10. Al Magliari whipped Bobby Lincoln, 6.

Tommy Holmes outslugged Al Milone, 6. Buford Ransom won over Merlin Fink, 6. Joe Louis Hargove won over Gil Tapia, 10.

Bobby Dalton beat Psalm Johnson, 6. Leon Rosano stopped Bill Martin, 2. Emile Griffith defeated Art Cunningham, 6. Chango Patino kayoed Jackie Lane, 1. Danny Davis outscored Fred Moore, 8.

Cecil Waybret whipped Steve Johnson, 6. Johnny Hall won from Buford Ransom, 6. Cheffy Reyna kayoed Marlin Moore, 3. Don Ward beat Willie Miller, 5. Major Woodson kayoed Wiley Johnson, 3. Vince Davi kayoed Percy Bradley, 4.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Paolo Rosi returned to action and handed Bobby Scanlon his first loss with a three round knockout. Paul Armstead halted Jimmy Hornsby, 10. Richie (Kid) Howard stopped Vernon Lynch, 10.

Luke Easter whipped Jesse Morales, 10. Jethro Cason decisioned Ernie (Sonny Boy) Williams, 10. Tommy Garrow stopped Merrill Olmstead, 3. George Ross defeated Charley Wormley, 6.

Jean Dulhoste defeated Baby Beau Jack, 8. Hilario Molina bested Regalo Landez, 6. Sid Lugo whipped George Quinones, 6. Tino Fuerte beat Hymie Budow, 6. Nat Simon won over Joe Chavez, 6. Willie Ranson defeated Solis Scott, 6.

Carlos Ortiz outscored Johnny Busso, 10.

British Champion Dave Charnley stopped welterweight Jimmy Croll, 4.

Jackie Hayden upset Lahouri Godih, 10. Arthur Persley kayoed Dave Dupas, 8.

Argentina champion Jamie Gine kayoed Vicente Panzani, 6. Frankie Ryff defeated Gale Kerwin, 10.

Johnny Gonsalves outboxed Cisco Andrade, 10. Carmelo Costa decisioned Iggy Maldenado, 8, while Iggy stopped Jimmy Kelly, 8. Fred Galiana kayoed Manuel Raposo, 3. Johnny Wills decisioned Buddy McDonald, 10.

Rudy Jordan stopped Jimmy Carter, 6. Al Urbina stopped Julio Escobedo, 7. Solomon Boysaw whipped Henry Hickman, 8.

Auburn Copeland defeated Ezequiel Uribe, 10. Hilario Morales stopped Kid Leoncito, 8. Silverstre Villarreal defeated Rafael Camacho, 10, and kayoed Sergio Gomez, 6. George Aruxajo won from Pat McCoy, 10.

Abe Haynes and Ernie Krenzek drew, 10. Beto Carbajal stopped Benny Rodriguez, 7. Ike Vaughn defeated Federico Plummer, 10. Chico Morales kayoed Schoolboy Leyva, 2, and beat Pete Kawala, 10 Guy Garcia halted Billy (Spider) Kelly, 9.

Joe Reynolds kayoed Kid Chocolate, 1. Chucho Oliva stopped Yuyin Trejo, 8. Gene Gresham stopped Buddy Harris, 8, and beat Leon Rosano, 8. Roy Hernandez decisioned Carlos Barragan, 10. Johnny Palmer stopped Charlie Smith, 9.

Sonny Chia kayoed Eagle Ismail, 1. Jimmy Ellis beat Mel Middleton, 6. Jackie Blair won from Bobby Garza, 10.

Tommy Schafer stopped Willie Cooper, 4. Ola Michael defeated Al King, 6. Harold Smith bested Steve Haywood, 6. Vernon Lynch kayoed Ronnie Cohen, 4.

Jimmy Walters kayoed Jimmy Raxter, 1. Burt Singer and Willie Lucero drew, 6. Vicente Ramirez kayoed Chamaco Castro, 7. Jay Fullmer defeated Benny Montoya, 6.

Tommy Garrow whipped Al Duarte, 6, and kayoed Joe Dodi, 3. Bobby Hicks stopped Lenny Walters, 6. Al Melendez stopped Raul Anchondo, 4, and beat Marcelino Vargas, 6. Mike Ponce stopped Kid Taxcela, 6, and beat Benny Rodriguez, 10.

Vern Lee whipped Ivan Keeling, 6. Lalo Duque kayoed Octavio Salas, 6, and drew with Ray Martinez, 10. Tony Lopez Smith kayoed Chale Silva, 3, and Jorge Chavez, 4. Chavez had kayoed Jesus Morales, 3. Jimmy Mitchell defeated Tony Reyes, 6.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

World Champion Hogan (Kid) Bassey kayoed former champion Willie Pep, 9, (non-title).

Davey Moore whipped Kid Anahuac, 10.

Paul Jorgensen decisioned Ruben Munoz, 10. Manolo Garcia decisionel Guillermo Mendoza, 10.

Mauro Vazquez kayoed Jimmy Moser, 6. Ike Chestnut outscored Jose Cotero, 10.

Ricardo Moreno kayoed Frankie Salas, 2. Batting Torres kayoed Antonio Ramirez, 2. Robert Meunier wrested French title from Louis Poncy, 15.

Angel Guerrero defeated Miguel Berrios, 10. Berrios had kayoed Grillo Aguilar, 3. Grillo beat Tony Meza, 10, but was stopped by Pimi Barajas, 7, then stopped Meza in 6. Manuel Alvarez whipped Aldolfo Pendas, 10.

Claudio Adame kayoed Americo Rivera, 7. Altidoro Polidori decisioned Gastone Casarico, 8. Gracieux Lamperti polished off Andre Valignat, 7.

Luis Trejo defeated Huesito Gonzalez, 10, and Memo Gonzalez, 10, but was kayoed by Rafael Camacho, 9. George Reiter kayoed Gene Havener, 4.

Panama champion Jesus Santamaria kayoed Ramiro Viveros, 4. Tommy Nethercott defeated Baby Beau Jack, 8. Ray Ming Chan kayoed Sammy Wong, 4.

Joel Sanchez whipped Collier Cox, 10. Dio Cagulada defeated Flash Menny, 8, and Flashy Panio, 8. Jimmy Connors won from Paddy Read, 8. Juan Ramirez kayoed Pedro Rocha, 7, Bonbom Kiriz, 4, and Leo Hernandez, 6. Moring Macalinao defeated Kid Johnson, 10, and drew with Rufi Pineda, 6.

Memo Baltazares won from Bobby Gray, 10. Chebo Vazquez stopped Cachorro Meza, 9. Roberto Cruz beat Larry Fernandez, 8.

Roberto Uriarte whipped Ramon Mayoral, 10, but was kayoed by Sabino Gonzalez, 8. Frisco Concepcion kayoed Primo Corpus, 5. Jesus Rodriguez kayoed Memo Ruiz, 2.

Arnulfo Palomares defeated Leo Hernandez, 10. Amado Gomez stopped Pedro Soto, 5. Johnny (Ace) Hand halted Bert Callahan, 5. Baby Larate won over Gildo Vargas, 10, and kayoed Trucuto Velazquez, 3.

Leroy Jeffery defeated Celso Hidalgo, 6, and kayoed Jesse Rodriguez, 1. Chavalo Salazar beat Cubanito Gonzalez, 10. Chino Gonzalez whipped Indio Ramos, 10, but lost to Hector Ramirez, 10.

Carl Baldwin won from Red Randall, 6. Artura Diaz Mora kayoed Oscar Ortegon, 4.

Hector Hicks, defeated Black Bill, 6. Doug Vaillant stopped Joaquin Castillo, 3. Ray DeLeon defeated Manny Coronado, 6. Panchito Duran kayoed Jerry Louis, 5. Manny Gallardo and Dick Page, 6.

Juan Leyva halted Juanne Garcia, 6. Tony Maya defeated Mike Rios, 6, and beat Joe Rios, 10. Javier Gonzalez beat Benito Vazquez, 8. Abel Pena defeated Monico Garza, 5. Dick Divola stopped Kid Chick, 5.

Urtimio Ramos halted Al Castillo, 5. Rolando Mendoza kayoed Kid Coca, 3. Genaro Grovea beat Vidal Cardoso, 10. Babe Alonzo kayoed Indio Ramos, 5.

Kid Gallero defeated Panchito Hernandez, 10. Joe Vargas won over Al Carroll, 6. Baby Saroni won over Indio Arellano, 10. Pajaro Gonzalez beat Rocky Fontenette, 10.

Harold Gomes defeated Johnny Bean, 10. Gracieux Lamperti decisioned Aldo Pravisani, 10.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Piero Rollo won the Europeon title outpointing Mario D'Agata, 15.

Kiyoshi Miura won the Orient title by upsetting Leo Espinosa, 12.

South American champion Roberto Castro defeated Marcelo Avila, 10, and Guido Granizo, 10. Unbeaten Freddie Gilroy made it 11 straight, and 9th by kayo, by stopping Johnny Morrissey, 8.

Walt Ingram and Danny Kid ended in a technical draw, 2. Ingram then lost to Angel Boy, 10. Herman Marquez defeated Baby Brown, 10. Rudy Corona beat Jose Oliva, 10. Jose stopped Tony Arizmendi, 2.

Ross Padilla decisioned Johnny Oretga, 10. Dwight Hawkins kayoed Eddie Gaspora, 1.

Kid Irapuato defeated Billy Peacock, 10. Frankie Campos kayoed Raul Leanos, 6. George Bowes knocked out flyweight Frankie Jones, 1.

Chucho Hernandez kayoed Chuy Rodriguez, 9, and beat Mike Garcia, 10. Eric Brett stopped Jimmy Carson, 2. Monito Luna defeated Delfino Martinez, 8, but lost to Sardio Guerra, 8. Pimi Barajas kayoed Grillo Aguilar, 7. Nacho Paredes upset Ray Martinez, 10.

Jorge Herrera won from Gerardo Cepeda, 10. Cepeda was kayoed by Joey Arias, 6. Max Huerta won from Tibicio Torres, 10. Torres kayoed Angel Jimenez, 2. Eddie Luna bested Paulino Guerrero, 10.

Rudy Valdez kayoed Gerardo Isoba, 8, and Jorge Gomez, 4, but lost to Eloy Sanchez, 10. Eloy won from Roque Fernandez on a disqualification, 5.

Danny Medrano kayoed Chamaco Guzman, 6. Joe Garcia kayoed Pecas Alanis, 12. Goyo Flores and Sabino Mendez drew, 10. Goyo then lost to Torge Salazar, 10.

Santos Gutierrez kayoed Javier Gabino, 3, and Kid Pitochas, 2. Baby Simabahon kayoed Vic Fuentes, 9. Pajaro Gonzalez beat Nicho Gonzalez, 10. Ramon Rodriguez stopped Luis Hernandez, 4. Luis has beaten flyweight Luis Gonzalez, 10.

Sancho Oretga defeated Nely Campo, 8. Fidel Alfaro won from Miguel Ulloa, 10. Johnny Jamito defeated San Juan Boy, 8. Torito Mota defeated Babe Ortega, 10, and Luis Estrada, 10.

Panchito Saldivar won from Sapito Jimenez, 10. Danny Brown beat Roy Serdan, 6. French Champion Eugene LeCozenet outpointed Michel Lamora, 10. Pascual Perez kayoed Juan Ibarra, 8, twice, and Chucho Medina, 1. Esteban Vega kayoed Nicholas Reyna, 4.

Kid Lunacito kayoed Nacho Cardoso, 4. Elias Macias whipped Raul Cruz, 10. Pablo de la Cruz won from Pablo Barrios, 10. Phil Ortiz and Pico Campos drew, 6. Reggie Wilson stopped Sandy Garcia, 3.

World champon Alphonse Halimi returned to action after a layoff and kayoed Dante Bini, 5 (non-title). British Empire champion Peter Keenan retained his title beating Pat Supple, 15.

Little Cezar defeated Frankie Duarti, 10. Boots Monroe stopped Herman Marques, 10. Manuel Armentoers defeated Isshrasak Babos, 10.

FLYWEIGHTS

Ramon Arias whipped Masaji (Lefty) Iwamoto, 10.

European Champion Young Martin outpointed bantamweight Alex Bollaert, 10.

Saul Becerril defeated Ray Ruiz, 10, and drew with Marcel Montoya, 10.

John Caldwell upset British Empire champion Dennis Adams, 8. Ray Perez whipped Morhiko Uzawa, 8.

Chatito Ochoa defeated Reynaldo Tavio, 10. Vic Campo and Kid Independence Jr. fought a no contest, 5. Larry Pineda stopped Toshiro Tanaka, 7.

Young Aquino kayoed Speedy Orland, 5, and beat Baby de Millones, 10. Angeles Alberto outscored Danny Ramirez, 8. Lourdinez Jr. beat Baby Espinosa, 8. Baby beat Small Dave, 8.

Berting Alvarez won from Viva Zapata, 6. Al Reyes beat Texas Boy, 10. Cuervo Salinas defeated Babe Tinajero, 8. Mar Flores kayoed Albert Danio, 5.

Romey Sison kayoed Baby Ross, 4. Scottish Champion Frankie Jones kayoed by bantamweight George Bowes, 1. Alfonso Palma kayoed Miguel Ulloa, 1. Alex Jimenez beat Gallito Segundo, 8.

Roman Rodriguez and Chocolate Guadarrama drew, 6. Eduardo Hernandez kayoed Leonel Aguilar, 1. Luis Gonzalez lost to bantam Luis Hernandez, 10.

FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By Felipe J. C. Galang

AL ASUNCION, 117½, AND BANTAMWEIGHT CHAMPION of the Philippines successfully defended his title when the GAB physician stopped the fight in the 7th round due to a big cut caused by a head butt by Dommy Ursua, 114, the challenger. Al was leading by a wide margin before the fatal 7th.

Vic Campo, 112, and flyweight champion and Kid Independence Jr., 111, were thrown out of the ring in the 5th round which was billed to be the flyweight championship of the Philippines. They seemed to be respecting each other so much and with the shouts and hootings of the public forced referee Segovia to throw them out of the ring and declared it No Contest.

Angeles Alberto, 114, unanimously defeated Danny Ramirez, 114, in 8 rounds. Oscar Guban, 125½, was too good for Star Viesca, 127½, in 6. Berting Alvarez, 115, decisioned Viva Zapata, 113, in 6. This was the best fight of the evening. Jimmy Kid, 115, and Buddy de Marco, 112, drew in 6. Paul Sebastian, 116, defeated Danny Rosales, 117, in 4. Fred Ocampo, 114, bested Al Padilla, 111, in the 4th round.

▶ Lourdinez Jr., 112¾, badly outpointed rated Baby Espinosa, 110, in 8 rounds in Guagua. Pampanga under the promotion of Peter Sumanqui. Rufi Pineda, 130, was too good for Dommy Buenaflor, 128, who was stopped in the 3rd. Al Manalang Jr., 127, bested Nick Peter, 133, in 4. Young Lubao, 129, kayoed Danny Kid Jr., 123, in 3. Mart Manansala, 120, outpointed Boy Méndoza, 125, in 4. Ben Angeles, 139, drew with Tony Pasumil, 140, in 4.

▶ Baby Espinosa, 111, badly outpointed Small Dave, 111, in 8 round main event in Tejeros, Makati, Rizal. Rommy Sison halted Baby Ross, 114, in 4. Jess de Leon, 115, outpointed Dixie Logan, 115, in 6. Danny Brown, 120, beat Rey Serdan, 121, in 6. Naven Kid, 114, knocked out Station Boy, 112, in 2. Lex Sande, 112, halted Little Castaneda, 112, in 2.

▶ Dio Cagulada, 128, defeated Flashy Panio, 128, in Balanga, Bataan in 8 rounds. Rocky Moises, 124, halted Baby de la Cruz, 132, in 4. Alex Olinares, kayoed Rudy Ringor, 118, in 5. Black Boy, 108, knocked out Ciano Salonga, 110, in 4. Remy Baluyot, 133, knocked out Rocky Rosales, 138, in 3. Young Bataan, 111, stopped Kid Patanes, 115, in 4. Diony Sandiga, 128, halted Saldana Kid, 127, in 1.

▶ Mar Flores, 113, halted Albert Danio, 120, in 5 rounds in Paniqui, Tarlac. Baby Mauricio, 120, decisioned Kid Paniqui, 120, in 6. Emil Ferrer, 116, defeated Gerry Corpuz, 116, in 4. Stany Lamagon 105, outjabbed Rush Gonzalo, 103, in 4.

▶ Joe Espinosa, 118, bested N. P. C. Boy, 120, in 6 rounds in San Mateo, Rizal. Kid Bascones Jr., 115, kayoed Kid Ibanez, 115, in 2. Joe de Lema, 106, drew with Ely Abanao, 105, in 4.

▶ Frisco Concepcion, 125, halted Primo Corpuz, 127, in 5 in Paniqui, Tarlac. Nerison Kid, 114, kayoed Jose Santos, 114, in 3. Salumague Boy, 125, decisioned Young Macalinao, 125, in 4.

▶ Baby Simabahon, 122, knocked out Vic Fuentes, 124, in 9 rounds in Cagayan de Oro. Tony Codniera, 127, kayoed Lightning Gony, 122, in 4. Doddy Boy, 118, stopped Harry Fuentes, 114, in 1.

▶ Young Aquino, 116, kayoed Speed Orland, 118, in 5 in Santiago, Isabela. Tenejeros Boy, 133, drew with Rocky Briones, 135, in 5. Gil Gueta, 107, drew with Naven Kid, 108, in 8.

▶ Al Reyes, 114, decisioned Texas Boy, 114, in 10 rounds in Cagayan de Oro. Joe Fausto, 118, defeated Ric Sacala, 117, in 10. Youngtze Hares, 115, outpointed Tiny Taylor, 114, in 8.

▶ Joe Espinosa, 116, kayoed Little Ibanez, 115, in 5 rounds in San Mateo Rizal. N. P. C. Boy, 118, stopped Young Tony, 115, in 3. Star Paquito, 119, halted Monte Cristo, 118, in 2.

▶ Moring Macalinao, 126, defeated Kid Johnson, 126, in 10 rounds in Binangonan, Rizal. Nestor Roy Sison, 113, halted Young Tommy, 117, in 1. Terrible Max, 128, drew with Little Baguis, 126, in 6.

▶ Sancho Ortega, 116, defeated Nely Campo, 116, in 8 rounds in Surigao, Surigao. Small Paluga, 112, outpointed Boy Bastonia, 112 in 8. Baby Valenzuela, 112, outscored Chelsea Kid, 112, in 8. Kid Donny, 126, kayoed Sonny Espanol, 126, in 1.

▶ Dio Cagulada, 127, defeated Flash Meny, 127, in 8 rounds in Guagua, Pampanga. Kid Tacio Jr., 112, won the unanimous decision over Nestor Angel 110, in 8. Fred Ocampo, 113, kayoed Dado Cruz, 111, in 2. Max Bill, 115, drew with Flash Ver, 116, in 4.

Promoter Eddie Quinn, center, flanked by Yvon Durelle and Archie Moore, light heavyweight champion, right, as they sign for December 10th battle for Moore's crown. Spectators in the background are left to right: Chris Shabam, Mayor S. Fournier, IBC President Truman Gibson, Lou Myers and Jack Kearns.

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STRIVING FOR RECOGNITION

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Hayden was disappointed and took eight months vacation from the ring. Now, with his surprise win over Godih under his belt, he would like nothing more than another shot at Howard.

"I know that I can lick him this time, then I want to fight for the British Empire Title," says Jackie.

A welder who works in construction when not fighting, Jackie is a pleasant young man who has come into his own as a fighter in this his eleventh year as a battler.

His record over the past five seasons show only four setbacks—three of these to Howard. He has steadily improved, but how far he will go is anyone's guess.

RUDY SAWYER

A tall, twenty-three year old ex-sailor who hits as hard as any of the present 147 pounders, is Long Island City's Rudy Sawyer. Loser only to top ranking middle-weight Gene Armstrong in eighteen bouts, he has scored eight kayos and fought one draw.

Rudy is trained by the retired, undefeated featherweight king, Sandy Saddler, who is sure that he has a coming champ in Sawyer. He had only a few amateur bouts before going into the Navy where he won a number of titles including the All-Navy welterweight and Inter-Service middleweight crowns.

He turned pro in the summer of 1956 and had but two four round bouts under his belt when he was matched with the veteran Jackie O'Brien in O'Brien's own back yard, Stamford. Rudy not only beat O'Brien but knocked him out in five rounds.

He followed that up with kayos of Claude Norwood and Willie Eaton. Then in his first 1957 fight he went to a draw with Andy Figaro. Then came wins over Joe Davis and Julie Jamison and kayos over Frankie Anslem and Rusty Davis.

Sawyer's next start was in a National TV bout at St. Nick's arena, against Gene Armstrong. Rudy suffered his lone defeat in that contest but bounced back to close out the year with three straight wins, including a decision over Central American champion Rudolph Bent and a thrilling last round kayo over Charlie Cotton in Madison Square Garden, New York. In knocking out Cotton in the tenth round, young Sawyer turned a trick that Joey Giardello, Spider Webb, Rory Calhoun, Sugar Hart and Charley Joseph had not been able to accomplish.

This year Rudy has turned in four more wins, including a TV victory over Jimmy Peters and the last time out he handed Cecil Shorts the first loss of his career. Shorts has been highly touted off his win over Larry Boardman, but was no match for the sharp hitting Sawyer.

TONY DI BIASE

Tony DiBiase is one of the growing number of college boxers in the professional ring today. A senior at New York University, where he is a Geology major, Tony was a top notch amateur before turning pro and won many titles while winning twenty-four of twenty-five bouts. His titles include the 1952 Sub-Novice Golden Gloves, the Metropolitan AAU 147 pound titles and the 1953 New York Open, Eastern and Inter-City welterweight crowns. This clean sweep gained him the Ray Robinson Trophy as the outstanding boxing in the tournament.

Tony was given a Scholarship to the University of Virginia and in 1955 he won the NCAA welterweight championships. However, homesick, he returned home and transferred to NYU to complete his studies. After graduation he hopes to return to Virginia to take a post graduate study in oil research.

Beside his amateur and college bouts Tony had a long career in PAL boxing going back to when he was only eleven years old. He won a number of PAL titles before entering the amateur ranks at sixteen.

After returning home from Virginia in 1955, he launched his pro career in Madison Square Garden, losing a four rounder to Sonny Lord. That was to be his first and only loss for the next two years as he ran off eighteen straight —seventeen wins and a draw—and gained national prominance with victories over Ray Portilla, Chris Christensen and Danny Giovanelli during that period.

Tony then hit a slump, losing three of his next four bouts, twice being stopped on cuts by Gale Kerwin and Tony DeCola and losing a disputed decision to Jimmy Archer but kayoing Al Milone.

This year Tony has won three of four starts, reversing the Archer loss and twice outslugging Peter Schmidt. The loss to Eddie Lynch, whom he meets in his next fight, was a hairline verdict and Tony is sure he will gain "hunk".

A two-fisted walk-in-slugger, DiBiase in the ring resembles nothing like the soft-spoken gentleman he really is. The baby in a family of three boys, the Astoria born lad is still single. He has a large and loud following not only from his neighborhood but from 74th Ordnance of the National Guard of which he is a member.

Tony is close to the top of his class in school and belongs to one of the best national college fraternity, Delta Upsilon.

BILL FLAMIO

Tough little Bill Flamio, of the Bronx, is a battler who has had many bad breaks in his short pro career. Although his record shows seven losses in thirty-six bouts, three of these were due to cut eyes.

Born in The Bronx where he still resides with his family, Bill, whose right name is Biagio, is one of six boys. Fighting came naturally to him. He started to box when he was thirteen years old in the Jefferson Park Boys Club. He was a star of the club and was named as Captain of the New York team that went to England and defeated the London team in 1953.

While in London, Bill met Prince Phillip, who congratulated him on his fine fight.

The following winter Bill entered the amateur ranks and captured the Sub-Novice Golden Gloves 135 pound title. The next year Bill suffered his lone amateur setback when he was beaten by Bertram Bailey in the quarter-finals of the Golden Gloves. All over, he won twenty-two bouts losing only to Bailey.

Following his graduation from Machine & Metal Trades High School, he launched his pro career and during his first two years didn't fare too well, losing three of seven fights.

However, in 1956, Flamio started to move up. He rolled off a string of seventeen straight wins before being stopped by Johnny Gorman. He then lost to his old amateur rival, Bertram Bailey. This year he was halted by Joe Lissy and held to a draw by Eddie Jordan.

Not discouraged, he has bounced back to turn in three fine triumps in a row over Mike Colucci, Eddie Lynch and Frankie Ippolito. Then dropped a disputed nod to Jordan in a spirited bout.

The Lynch fight, Bill's TV debut, saw him outscore his heavily favored rival from start to finish. In stopping Ippolito he turned a trick, that Frankie Ryff and Tommy Tibbs failed to accomplish.

Among his other victims are Roger Marvey, Phil Morizio, Al Milone, Peter Schmidt, Fred Monforte, Don Braun, Felix Ortega and Eddie Prince.

Still single, Bill is a rabid Yankee Fan and likes to make model airplanes which he gives to the youngsters in the neighborhood. When he has earned sufficient money he will open a beauty parlor with his brother, who is a beautician.

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COWBOY HERO WHO MIGHT HAVE BEEN—GEORGE COURTNEY

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at the hands of Gainer and southpaw Joe Knight, headed the Oklahoma Cowboy for the "Last Roundup".

When last heard from, George Courtney was living in Syracuse, a city in which his younger brother Gerry gained a college reputation as a fullback on the Syracuse University football team. He was then employed by an air conditioning company.

In his fighting days, George's good looks made him most attractive to the opposite sex, and this was not conducive to strict training. He married a beautiful blonde showgirl, and was no stranger to the bright lights of Broadway during the Roaring Twenties. Were he active today he might be cavorting in cowboy regalia before the television camera as a TV western favorite rather than being recalled as a boxer who might have been numbered among the champions had he gotten better breaks when the decisions were handed down in the decisive battles of his career.

TV & BOXING

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portant to boxing, allows promoters to stage bouts throughout the country, many with a noticeable increase in revenue.

Let us set up a hypothetical example: Hogan (Kid) Bassey, world featherweight champion, recently fought Willie Pep, one-time great and former champion, in a non-title bout in Boston. It figured to be (and was) a good fight, though possibly not quite up to par to risk on a nationwide closed-circuit basis. On a limited, or regional basis, though, marvelous possibilities appear. Pep, through the years no matter what, has been extremely popular in his home state (Connecticut) and New England and he is fighting a world champion. By saturating the theaters of the New England area with a closed-circuit screening of the bout a welcomed opportunity to see the fight is at hand for countless thousands who otherwise would have been unable to do so, and at the same stroke an untapped source of revenue is uncovered by the boxing promoter and fighters.

But that is just the beginning of the vision. Place a fight on national home-free TV or nationwide closed-circuit television and every promoter in the country who had hoped to stage a show on that night is dead, unable to compete against the "for free" show or the extravaganza for a limited sum. However, on a regional basis, the major portion of the country remains "open" territory for that night.

Slowly but surely the vision is taking on a real and definite shape. New England was once a hotbed of fistic activity. As many as a dozen promotions being held in one night. Today the shows are few and far between. Now, at this point you have a Bassey-Pep fight, in Boston, set up for a regional closed-circuit screening. A dozen or more boxing promoters throughout New England decide to put on fight cards that night and what do they have as their main event? None other than the Bassey vs. Pep fight, a main event any local promoter could be proud of, brought in for a nominal sum, with his live undercard there to back up this fight.

Carrying this idea to the large number of good bouts, especially "hot" in a local area, which are not necessarily of national interest, and one can already see the fistic pot begin to boil.

If the sport is searching for a means to start a revival, with more promoters operating and a chance to interest more youngsters in a professional career, coupled with the opportunity to get the proper experience, develop and advance, then this is the soundest, most forward-looking idea we have heard in years.

NAT FLEISCHER SAYS:

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by the State of Washington Commission that defied public opinion, including telegrams to the Governor to prevent the fight, because the Commission figured the fight would draw well and in that respect it was correct. The fight drew $243,000, biggest ever for the West. But aside from the knockdown he scored in the opening round, Pete was a flop. The same was true of his fight with Folley.

Aragon, during his fourteen years of ring warfare, had been rated often among the top ten. At one time he was close to the top of the division. He was the idol of many in California who would go anywhere to see him in action. Then again he was a villain in the eyes of others, who as in the case of Leach Cross of old, would come out in droves to see him take a shellacking. This was so in his fight with Basilio which drew $236,000. All of which proves that the promoters often ignore the fighting qualities of the boxers and pay more attention to the personalities in their quest for big gates. Their interest seems to be more in making the turnstiles click and in this, they often ignore the rated ringmen.

RATED BOXERS SHUN TOP TALENT AS OPPONENTS

When one considers the poor calibre of most of the top ranked men in several divisions, he cannot blame a promoter for his choices outside the select circle. And let us not forget that too often the managers are responsible for the TV flops because they refuse to accept top talent to be paired with their fighter. Harold Johnson, long the Number One challenger for the light heavyweight title, is an example. Try to get any of the first ten to face him.

Only recently, in an effort to get some action for Johnson, Sonny Liston, a late comer among the heavyweight contenders, was offered Johnson as his opponent. Liston's manager turned the offer down. There are many such cases, a condition which only the various boxing commissions can cure. But what is their answer to the complaints? "We are not in the matchmaking business".

Yet the commissions do just that when they order a champion to fight a fixed opponent for the crown or order an elimination in which they name the opponents.

Permitting a champion to ignore legitimate contenders and fight in a higher division for that title, is another matter that should be rectified by commissions. Take the case of Archie Moore. For more than a year he has been permitted to fight heavyweights while ignoring challengers in his own division, and he, like other champions, has gotten away with it.

And while on the subject of "what's wrong with boxing", let's consider the matter of financial demands by champions and other top ringmen. Whenever the question of a title defense has been brought to the attention of Moore, he insisted on a flat guarantee of $100,000. How many promoters, unless they receive a big TV sum from a sponsor, can afford to gamble on such an amount? Ray Robinson, Carmen Basilio, and Johnson are in the same category.

When managers and fighters complain about the boxing depression, they should consider the big part they have been playing in bringing this on.

Why should a legitimate challenger be forced to gamble on what is left after a huge guarantee is taken from the top for the champion? It wasn't that way in the old days. Commissions should get together and decide on a remedy that will be just to the champion, challenger and promoter.

The various boxing associations, both in America and abroad, have been too lax in carrying out their duty to boxing. Holding conventions merely for the purpose of having a good time, doesn't help the situation. The National Boxing Association, the European Boxing Union, the British Board of Boxing Control, the New York Commission and all allied bodies in boxing should get together and adopt universal rules for a firmer control of the sport.

INGEMAR JOHANSSON

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with the word that D'Amato regarded that bid as phoney, a hoax, 'far too big for an indoor fight." Lence and Helfand then told me that D'Amato would have nothing to do with NBC."

Lence plainly was disgusted. He said to the press, *"Patterson wants to fight in New York, but it's up to Cus. He told me to negotiate with the Garden. I told him about my talks with Irish, as they progressed. But he turned down everything."*

HEAVYWEIGHT BOOM IN EUROPE, STAGNATION HERE

Helfand was desperate as he discussed the turn of events with The Ring Magazine. He said:

"I did my best to get a title fight for New York in December, but every deal offered to D'Amato was turned down.

"The New York Commission cannot make the fight. It can suggest, help. But whether Patterson will fight in New York, ever, is for his manager to tell you."

In the meantime, heavyweight boxing is booming abroad and stagnating in the United States, all because of the Bright Crusader, Constantine D'Amato, whose like never before was seen at the helm of a heavyweight champion's affairs.

If the heavyweight situation were logical, business-like and directed at the best interests of boxing, Patterson and Sweden's Johansson would be heading for a title fight in Yankee Stadium in June.

But the heavyweight situation is not logical, business-like and directed at the best interests of boxing, so we have no Patterson-Johansson match.

Not only that. We don't have even a Patterson-Joe Blow fight in the making. D'Amato continues balky, insistent on details which are not of paramount importance, and forgetful of what he promised after Patterson's far from illustrious showing against Harris.

"I Want Patterson to fight more often," said Cus. *"I want more action, because I did not do my best against Harris on account of having been on the shelf too long,"* Patterson stressed.

D'Amato and his friend Lence got together and decided that there would be a Patterson-Valdes fight in the Garden in New York if the arena would be rented for a Lence promotion. D'Amato, of course, would not let Floyd fight under the aegis of the IBC.

D'Amato is reported to have insisted that there be a definite low rental. He protested that the percentage deal would place Lence in the position of being a secondary promoter and would give the public the impression that the IBC and Truman Gibson were promoting the fight.

CUS STILL TOO WORRIED ABOUT THOSE IMPRESSIONS

In short, D'Amato still is more interested in impressions than in concrete results. It is more important to him to have the public know that Lence is the promoter than it is for the heavyweight stagnation to clear up and for Patterson to get more work.

There is no doubt that Johansson is the No. 1 contender for the heavyweight championship.

On September 14, at Gotenborg, Sweden, Johansson, in tip top condition, knocked out Machen in 2 minutes 16 seconds.

The heavyweight who fought a draw with Folley was outclassed. He was beaten to a pulp. Now Johansson merits a title fight. The title is in the custody of Patterson, who is managed by D'Amato, so it's up to the controversy loving Cus.

Johansson is not owned by the IBC. Johansson did not refuse Patterson a match while Floyd was coming up. Johansson did not turn down a fight with Patterson before Floyd became the champion.

In short, Johansson is eminently eligible even under the difficult rules of eligibility formulated by D'Amato.

JOHANSSON COULD GET BIG MONEY MATCH IN LONDON

If Johansson were after money alone, he would not have to come to the United States. He could assure himself of a tidy fortune by fighting Brian London, the British champion, in London, with 100,000 packing Wembley Stadium.

But Johansson wants the world championship. He wants to fight Patterson, and only Patterson.

A Patterson-Johansson fight would lift boxing out of the doldrums, in which the delaying actions of D'Amato have been factors.

A Patterson-Johansson fight would pack any American arena. It would revive the halcyon days of Rickard and Jacobs in Yankee Stadium. It would pull New York out of the fistic heebie-jeebies in which that city has been struggling.

D'Amato has been talking with Edvin Ahlqvist, Johansson's manager, through Einar Thulin, an American who has been close to Cus for some time. When Einar left the United States he sold his summer home to D'Amato.

Things have not been going too smoothly between Ahlqvist and Thulin.

Johansson may fly to the United States in November. But he will not be headed for New York and a conference with D'Amato because, at this writing, Cus has not asked Johansson and Ahlqvist to come to New York.

Johansson has been invited to visit Seattle by Governor Albert Rosselini, of the state of Washington.

NO INCENTIVE FOR GOVERNOR TO STAND EXPENSES

However, latest advices from Stockholm are that Johansson expects transportation for his entourage, and apparently Gov. Rosselini does not have anything like that in mind.

If Johansson comes West, the Governor will welcome him as his guest. But as for dishing out a lot of money for the trip that's out. In fact, why should the Governor pay out that money? He is no promoter, and at this time Johansson has no intention of fighting in Seattle.

As the heavyweight division goes, so goes boxing. It behooves D'Amato to get moving. The Ring Magazine would like to see big action which can only be achieved through championship competition instead of the present stagnation which is beyond all comprehension.

The Ring Magazine is not shilling for the IBC and Gibson. It is militant for boxing, and wants to see Patterson lead the drive out of recession.

The Patterson-Harris fight in Los Angeles did not accomplish for boxing anywhere near the results which had been expected. Harris proved to be something less than a ring genius.

Nor did Patterson put on a terrific fight. He should have stopped Harris within five rounds. But he was stable worn and not up to his best effort.

With Harris no thriller, with Patterson no devastating performer, the game was left no better off, no worse, and that was not good.

The immediate good and welfare of boxing lie with D'Amato. Johansson wants to come to New York, not Seattle. He wants to fight here. He rates the shot. How much longer are the facts to be dodged? How much longer are the heavyweight division and boxing to suffer from shilly-shallying and delaying maneuvers of the champion of all shilly-shallying fight managers of all-time?

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paid his respects to his friend Fleischer, and then made an important announcement. He revealed that he had been working on a heavyweight championship match in which Floyd Patterson would defend the title in the Garden under the aegis of Emil Lence, who promoted the Patterson-Hurricane Jackson fight at the Polo Grounds.

Helfand said that he had brought Lence and Ned Irish close to consummation of a deal for rental of the Garden, with the fight date almost certain to be in early December.

Roy Rogers, the rodeo and movie star, long time friend of Fleischer's, presented a ten gallon hat to him.

Col. Eddie Eagan, former chairman of the New York Commission, was on the dais.

The M.C. of the occasion was Dan Daniel, of the New York World-Telegram and Sun, and The Ring Magazine staff. He tried to needle the guest of honor, but that did not go so well. Fleischer was quite touched, and emotional.

When plans for the luncheon were announced, Fleischer not knowing that he was to be honored, scheduled two presentations on behalf of The Ring Magazine.

To Bassey he gave the featherweight championship belt. The Nigerian boxer made a surprisingly fluent speech, and told how much he appreciated the honor, and how much he owed to boxing.

"*When I die, this belt will be buried with me,*" Bassey said.

To Robinson, Fleischer presented a gold medal for long services to boxing, and a world middleweight championship belt as well.

Robinson talked of fighting Carmen Basilio again and appeared to be in splendid condition.

LEN MATTHEWS

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watching movies and television. He likes vegetables and raw fruit; enjoys doing roadwork because the clean morning air gives him added energy for ring fighting.

His nickname is Preacher. "The kids in my neighborhood called me that because I talked a lot," confesses Matthews. "That was because, being the quiet and backward type, I figured that becoming a chatterbox would conceal my timidity from them, keep them from molesting me or beating me up. The kids were pretty tough around my neighborhood and always look for fights. Talking also kind of served as an outlet for my emotions."

Len's toughest opponent was Tommy Tibbs. He says the other 13 were soft by comparison. Not only did he find the stocky Bostonian durable but dead game as well. Tibbs kept coming in all the time, shaking off blows that might have toppled a tough welterweight.

"I knew he'd never been kayoed and wanted to be the first to do the trick, but Tommy has an iron jaw." Matthews thought a moment, then added: "In a way I'm glad the bout went the full ten rounds. It proved that I can go ten rounds at top speed with a scrappy fighter. The Tibbs fight gave me added confidence."

Graziano has no intention of putting the boy in over his head. He realizes that being over-confident in a boxer's ability can cause a ring pilot to ruin a bright prospect. Although Tony feels that Lennie has the stuff to beat, or kayo, some of the ranked lightweights, he intends to match him with care.

"Matthews is still only a kid, nineteen," intelligently explains Tony. "And he hasn't had sufficient ring seasoning to prepare for rugged opposition or cagy scrappers. We're in no hurry. I feel that by taking our time we'll get there faster."

Matthews is more than only a sensational lightweight—he's a fine young man—honest, sincere and outspoken.

FIGHTS OF THE MONTH

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victory, showed he is still able to hold his own against the top men. Now Ralph is clamoring all the more for a fight with Ray Robinson, whom he defeated. Ray has never asked for a chance to get even, something that Jones would be only to glad to give him.

Former middleweight champion Gene Fullmer proved that he is still a power to be reckoned with in his class as he pounded his way to a unanimous ten round decision over Clever Spider Webb in a thriller at Salt Lake City. Webb was given a good chance of turning back Fullmer who had not looked too good in his few bouts this year. Fullmer, however, used his strength to good advantage to win the contest.

PEP — FADED — LOST

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To many of the ringsiders it appeared that McCarron had counted Pep out but the referee insisted Willie had beaten the final decimal. Pep, however, was wobbling helplessly on rubbery legs and McCarron called a halt then and there.

Pep's gallant bid for a return to his former glory ended in disappointment but not disgrace. The old boy gave it everything he had—and that everything probably would have whipped most of today's leading featherweights. In defeat Willie had the satisfaction of knowing he had been beaten by a real champion.

The bout started an American invasion by Bassey that he and his manager, George Biddles, hoped would keep the Nigerian busy for six months. It was Hogan's third visit to the United States, but his previous jaunts were confined to one bout each. In the spring of 1957 the Nigerian trounced Miguel Berrios in Washington in the elimination tournament to decide the successor to retired Sandy Saddler. Going on to win the vacant title by stopping Cherif Hamia in Paris, Bassey returned to the United States early in 1958 to retain his laurels by knocking out Ricardo Moreno in Los Angeles. This time Bassey is prepared to remain a while, combining business with pleasure. He and Manager Biddles have brought their wives along to enjoy American scenery and dollars. The champion's second outing on the current tour was against Carmelo Costa in New York's Madison Square Garden. Bassey has a couple of tentative dates lined up in Los Angeles, the second one probably for the championship, either in December or January. Hogan's opponent has not been determined as yet but the selection will be the outstanding performer in a series of featherweight bouts being offered by the Olympic matchmaker, George Parnassus.

THE HAWK WILL HUNT NO MORE

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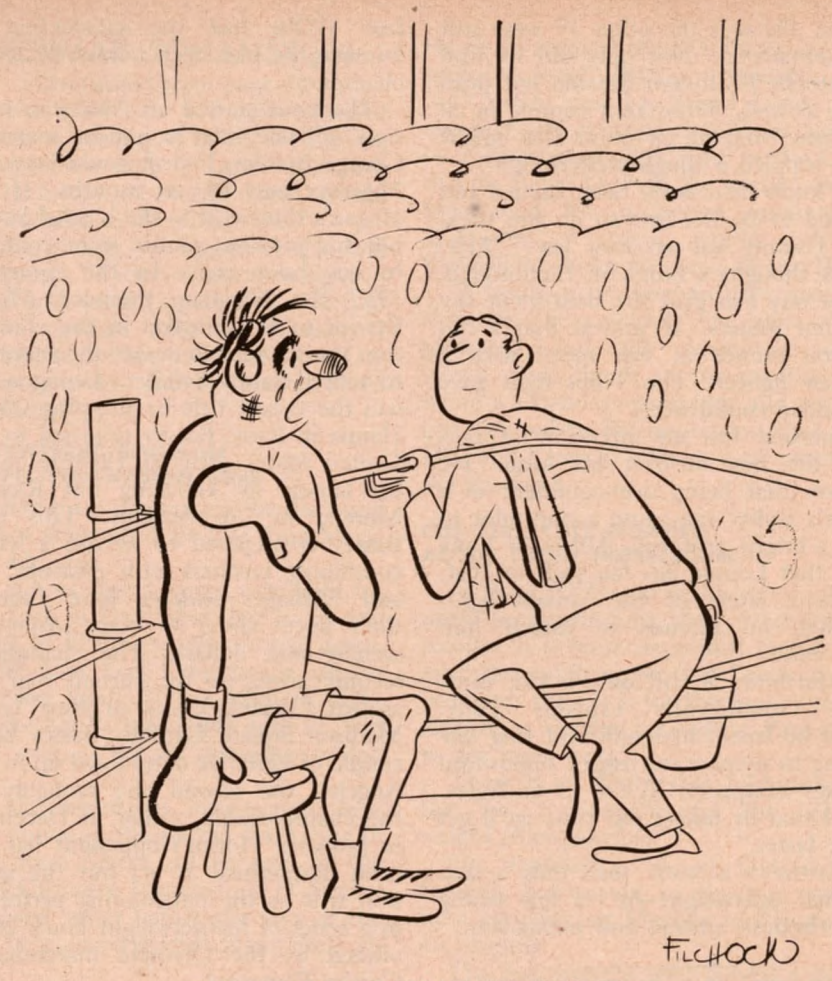
tumbled him back from whence he came. Some 200 bouts he fought as amateur and professional. During the twenty-one years of action he saw only three men were ever able to drop him: a Mexican named Pedro Ortega in 1945, Ike Williams in 1948 and Carmen Basilio in 1953.

Many honors came his way, many hundreds of thousands of dollars were earned, though some never seen. He was a national hero in his native Cuba. A mention of their "chompeen" Gavilan Keed used to set off a strange excitement among his countrymen.

Few remembered him as Gerardo Gonzalez, a son of a poor sharecropper working in the sugar cane fields before he was ten. Or the wild dreams the young boy had as he gained his first small successes as an amateur, or how they feted him, bursting with a boastful pride as they bestowed on him the name of Gavilan, meaning hawk, which he rightly deserved and which came from the name of the saloon owned by his first manager.

Gone is all as he shuffles into the past, to stand alongside Kid Chocolate.

His wings are clipped. The hawk will hunt no more.



"PLEASE DON'T LEAVE ME NOW!"

THE MAT WORLD

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in so doing threw Bolo against Referee Leo Voss knocking him to the floor. When the stunned official regained his feet, Bolo had revived and tore Ernie's head guard off and pulled it around Dusek's neck and choked his helpless foe. By this time, Referee Voss had come to and counted Dusek out.

Dusek had borrowed a crutch, earlier in the match, from a ring side fan and used it on the masked wrestler and also managed to tear a piece of his face covering. This fellow is beyond a doubt the hardest to beat of any of the previous masked men to appear in the South.

Red Bastein and Ernie Dusek have given Bolo his toughest bouts. Mighty Paul Anderson looks like the fellow to take the masked man and will no doubt be matched with Mr. Bolo soon. Paul easily defeated Burly Mike Pardousis on the same card while Mike Clancy returned to action and defeated Antone (Ripper) Leone. This was the popular Irishman's first bout since being sidelined due to injuries six weeks before.

Old favorite and ever popular George Becker battled to a 20 minute draw with Red Bastion who is fast climbing to the top in wrestling circles. The sorrel topped fireball is quite a guy.

The girls match saw blonde cutie, Judy Grable, beat hot-tempered Rita Cortez in an exciting bout and the tag team action went to Fritz and Waldo Von Eric, undefeated German team, over Cyclone Anoya and Billy Two Rivers.

Dick Lever has returned to action and is now back in the Carolinas. Also returning here is Lou Plummer. Both have been absent in this area for some time. Many remember Dick Lever as a former masked man called *"The Red Devil."*

Fred Blassie and Angelo Paffo are a strong tag team and hope to win the world's tag team title. This strong team are now wrestling and beating the best in Georgia. Going great guns now in the Texas area around Fort Worth and Dallas is Dick Steinborn, Duke Keomuka, Bob Corby, and Ike Eakins. They left the Carolinas for the Lone Star State after a long stay here this summer. Doc and Mike Gallagher defeated Tex Riley and Len Rossi in Knoxville, Tenn. and now lay claim to being the top contenders for the World's Tag Team Crown.

Angelo Savoldi defeated Ray Stevens and kept his Junior Heavyweight Belt, a title he won from Mike Clancy early this year.

Mighty Atlas defeated Carlos Rodriguez on the same program promoted by John Cazana.

Giant Paul Bunyan lost his two matches in short order to Mike Poidousis and George Becker. In single matches he lost to both in less than three minutes during his Charlotte debut. The huge fellow was putty in the hands of his experienced foes once he was on the floor.

RESULTS
By Mott

Olympic Auditorium, Los Angeles, Calif. Crusher Casey of Montana, made his debut on So. California mats by mauling Joe Blanchard, Parsons, Kansas, around, through, and under the Olympic mat before finishing Joe with a reverse neck breaker. Blanchard, former big ten wrestling Champion, proved no match for the latest villain to be imported to California.

Before the match, Casey stated that his grandfather gives him five hundred dollars for every man he beats, and he likes that money, so he wins in any manner he can.

Under-card action saw the tag team of Billy Darnell and Sandor Szabo defeat Wild Red Berry and Tosh Togo to win another "World's Tag Title." Szabo and Darnell took the second and third falls. In the prelims, Jim LaRock and Hardy Kruskamp fought to a draw, while Lord Blears won over Ted Christy.

Wrestling workouts, held in the parking lot of KCOP-T.V. will see no more of Nature Boy Rogers for the next few weeks. He has gotten into hot water with the use of his standing knee drop on the workouts. After throwing the Golden (B. Darnell) Boy to the mat, Rogers climbed up to the top turn buckle and jumped with both knees in Darnell's back. Jules Strongbow, announcer and former wrestler, told Rogers to cut out the rough stuff or leave. Roger's left, with a few well chosen thousand words.

Appearing on the workouts this week, besides Rogers and Darnell, were: Sandor Szabo, Crusher Casey, Paul De Gales, Matt Murphy, Lord Blears, Joe Blanchard, and Jim La Rock.

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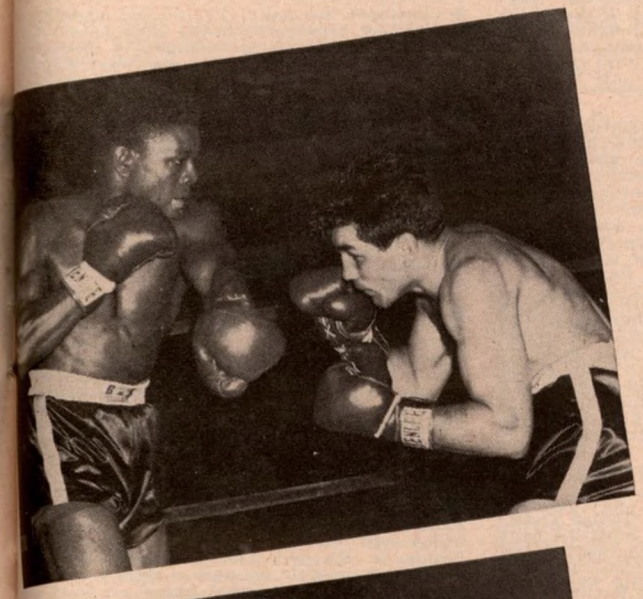

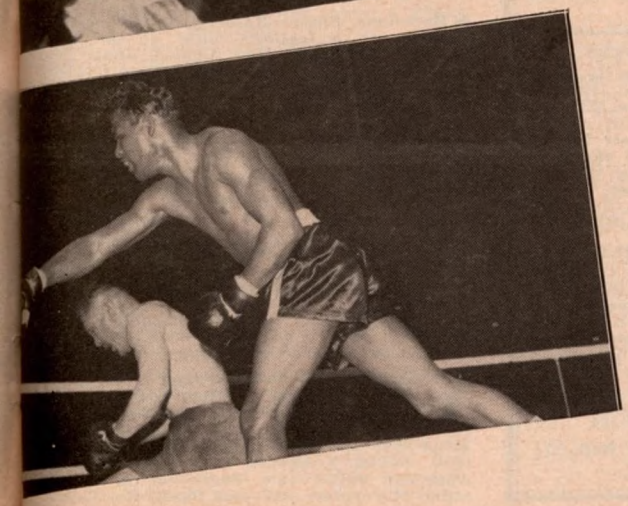

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EUROPEAN GOSSIP

BY CHARLIE PARISH

HEAVYWEIGHTS from this side of the Herring Pond lost that "horizontal" tag by a series of three upset wins over top-rated Americans. Ingemar Johansson disposed of Eddie Machen in jig-time, Brian London bulled out Willie Pastrano and in Seattle, Willie Besmanoff of Germany put the skids under Alex Miteff in the first round.

On the Continent, Bozzano ousted Cavicchi and Westphal retained his German title against Neuhaus. Guy Gracia chalked up another British victory by whipping Billy Kelly and Robert Pollazon, French flyweight champion, decided to retire.

Duilio Loi hung on to his European lightie crown and had some tricky moments against Vecchiatto while Baccheschi caused a minor sensation in Italy by dislodging Mazzola from the national cruiser throne.

A motoring tragedy robbed the Italian Federation of its President, Bruno Rossi, who died at the age of 61. In all the recently re-won boxing centres, Vienna, Helsinki, Copenhagen and Oslo, successful promotions were held. The former "Angel of the Ring", Jean Sneyers, announced his retirement from fistic affairs but attempts are being made to tempt him to return as a lightweight.

▶ **Gothenburg,** Sweden. Let there be no doubt, the arrival of Ingemar Johansson on the Swedish boxing scene has certainly put the city of Gothenburg on the map in no mean fashion. Promotor Ahlqvist welcomed over 50,000 avid boxing fans to the ultra-modern Ullevi Stadium when he pitted handsome Ingo against highly-touted Eddie Machen, the Ring's No. 2 heavyweight. This broke the previous attendance record of 45,000 registered at the Walcott-Tandberg fracas some years ago.

Ingemar entered the ring as cool as ice, Machen on the other hand appeared nervous and anxious to get cracking. The Lion of the North scaled 198 and his opponent 194.

When the gong sounded, Machen made no hellfire attack. He boxed with elegant precision and seemed to have the answer to Ingo's every move. Johansson, however, remained calm, supremely confident in the Thor's Hammer reposing inside his right glove. He led with a left then suddenly smashed over that stunning right to the side of Machen's jaw. Down went the American as if pole-axed, only to rise at the count of "8".

The Swedish Lion pressed home his advantage with commendable speed. Another smashing right hooked Machen's legs from under him and he was now so shaken that he jumped up at "6". He grappled vainly with Johansson, trying to hang on until the bell but the Swede staved his man off and subjected him to a tremendous belting in his own corner. Finally, amid a colossal roar from the crowd, Machen slithered to the canvas, utterly vanquished, after 2 minutes, 16 seconds of fighting. There had never been such a moment in Sweden's boxing history and the crowd went frantic in its acclaim as Johansson was declared winner and, thereby, one of the leading challengers for the World Title.

The prelims faded into insignificance by contrast. Torner Ahsman won a rather debatable victory over Edgardo Romero, an Argentine heavy who once fought Heinz Neuhaus, over six rounds and Joey Armstrong, the Nigerian heavy, lost out to Hans Friedrich of Germany. Lennart Risberg, 176, who may one day succeed Johansson, cut loose with both hands and stopped Albert Duscha of Germany in three. Willi Quattuor, 130, gained a decision over Leijf Wadling, 124, over six rounds.

▶ **Oslo,** Norway—The professional fight game is still slowly making ground here after that 16-year layoff and once again Dutch fighters were called in to provide the opposition. Veteran Theun Brommer proved no match for Leif Hansen and ceded on points to the Norseman after eight hard rounds, welters, while newcomer Willy Olsen failed to pull the same trick against wily Heintje van der Zee and lost out in a feathers six.

▶ **Milan,** Italy—It may well be that Duilio Loi's grip on the European lightweight crown is not so firm now. At any rate, the stylish Trieste battler had a tough time repelling the attacks of the new Italian champ, clean-cut Mario Vecchiatto, who belted away with his usual blistering energy for the full 15 rounds. Loi dropped his man early in the bout but was unable to turn the trick a second time. The drawn verdict was booed by the 25,000 crowd, who saw Vecchiatto as winner.

The sensation of the night was provided by Al Kramp, introduced as "Indian Champion". Kramp has never seen India, he hails from Surinam and possesses no science but a humdinger of a right hand. He was brought in as a further victim for Bruno Scarabellin, Venetian southpaw currently boosted for a shot at Johansson. Kramp ignored Bruno's imposing k.o. record. He walked in punching with both hands and when that right exploded on the Scarabellin chin it was curtains for Bruno in the second round.

Italo Scortichini was lucky to knock out Angelo Brisci in defense of his national middles title. He was getting outpointed when a lucky punch caught Brisci on the Adam's Apple and put him out of action in the third round. Brother Plinio Scarabellin looked good in disposing of Sergio Burchi after a couple of minutes in their cruiser slam.

▶ **Sassari,** Italy. Tore Burruni moved a step nearer the vacant flyweight title by lacing Stefano Urbani over eight rounds here. Mario Altana won over Imbastoni in a cruiser six.

▶ In **Rome's** Lido, Renato Giacche whipped Antonio Aversa in a welter six.

▶ At **Canelli,** Sante Amonti proved his hitting powers by belting the daylights out of hefty Horst Herold, the German heavyweight Cruiser Amonti laid the Teuton among the daisies in the fourth round.

▶ **Constance,** Germany—Pro boxing made its debut here very successfully, thanks to the initiative of promotor Knorzer. A packed house of 3,000 watched local star Karl Wagner, 145, engage in a desperate six-rounder with Leo Potesil of Austria, the bout ending in honors even.

Sidi Mohammed, 120, was ruled out in the fifth round for fouling against Gerhard Topf of Austria and ancient Hans Hafner, 149, fought so well against Helmut Höhmann in a drawn six-rounder that the promotor awarded them 100 Mark bonus.

Gunter Huber won an unpopular nod over Poldi Bauer, Austrian cruiser, in six and Lothar Heimann whipped Heini Freytag in a middle four.

▶ **Bologna,** Italy—Right in the twilight of his career, Franco Cavicchi seems to have gained control of his temperament. Against Mino Bozzano, the once-timid Franco was no longer overawed by the big occasion and gave a sound performance, though it ended in defeat. Cavicchi, the "Emilian Bull", exploded his mighty right on Mino's chin in the opening round and the youngster went sprawling in the resin, only to be saved by the gong.

Both men went all out for a quick win in the succeeding rounds and Bozzano was guilty of several fouls, including a butt which split Cavicchi's eyebrow. He dropped Franco in the fifth and although Cavicchi came back strongly, he walked right into the finisher during the eighth round.

Ted Wright continued his unbeaten streak by shattering Gunter Hase of Germany with a slicing uppercut to the liver in the second round of a welter affair and Joe Rafiu King whipped Giordano Campari in a feathers ten. Charlie Douglas halted Marcello Padovani in the third round of a lightweight clash and promising Bruno Ravaglia bested Bruno Burlovich in a lightie eight.

▶ **Madrid,** Spain—At the Campo del Gas, Luis Folledo, rising welter comer, was the only fighter to win before the limit. He continued unbeaten, battering Gregorio Valle to a halt in six rounds while another undefeated welter, Diego Infante, bested Manuel Basora over eight rounds.

Tony Gutierrez licked Antonio Egea in a lightie eight and Jose Torres whipped Federico Sciarrino of Italy in a feathers eight.

At the same venue, earlier, Carmelo Beroza laced Juan Ruiz in a welter eight and Santos Seoane stopped Arnal in the fourth of a flyweight encounter.

▶ **Barcelona,** Spain—Rafael Lahoz drew with Romana in a feathers eight at the Gran Price while Perez Ros nodded Juan Jose Saavedra in a middles eight. In two feathers sixes, Zapata licked Collato and Vilches drew with Urrutia.

▶ **Casteldelpiano,** Italy — Altidoro Polidori picked up some lost prestige by dropping in here to trounce modest Gastone Casarico in a feathers eight and at **Grosseto,** Massimo Zanaboni thrust himself into the heavyweight race for honors by pounding out a good points win over brawny Federico Frisco in ten rounds. Zanaboni lacks experience in big-time fights but has already whipped both Bozzano and Scarabellin as amateurs.

▶ In **Trieste,** the local storm cloud, Aldo Pravisani, busted up the defenses of Frenchman Andre Bernard and stopped him in two.

▶ **Helsinki,** Finland—There was a full house here for the much awaited bout between Risto Luukkonen, Finnish flyweight destroyer, and Edgar Basel of Germany but the latter lost his train and failed to appear in time. Pekka Kokkonen stopped an obscure American called Lou Perry in the fourth round of a cruiser slam and Pentti Rautiainen

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(MONTH ENDING OCTOBER 21, 1958)

HEAVIES	CRUISERS	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Ingo Johansson (SW)	Erich Schoppner (G)	Charles Humez (F)	Bruno Visintin (I)
2. Wm. Besmanoff (G)	Willi Hoepner (G)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Emilio Marconi (I)
3. Mino Bozzano (I)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Hans Wohlers (G)	Jacq. Herbillon (F)
4. Franco Cavicchi (I)	Sante Amonti (I)	Italo Scortichini (I)	Stefan Redl (G)
5. Albert Westphal (G)	Dieter Wemhoner (G)	Max Resch (G)	Fortunato Manca (I)
6. Heinz Neuhaus (G)	Charles Colin (F)	Franz Szuzina (G)	Ben Buker II (S)
7. Bruno Scarabellin (I)	Yao Kouame (F)	Peter Muller (G)	Seraphin Ferrer (F)
8. Uli Ritter (G)	Dom Baccheschi (I)	Andre Drille (F)	Chr. Christensen (D)
9. Mario De Persio (I)	Rocco Mazzola (I)	Leen Jansen (H)	Chico Santos (P)
10. Massimo Zanaboni (I)	Giulio Rinaldi (I)	Giancarlo Garbelli (I)	Jef Janssens (B)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Duilio Loi (I)	Cherif Hamia (F)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Young Martin (S)
2. Lahouri Godih (F)	Sergio Caprari (I)	Mario D'Agata (I)	Jose Ogazon (S)
3. Mario Vecchiatto (I)	Gracieux Lamperti (F)	Piero Rollo (I)	Francisco Carreno (S)
4. Fred Galiana (S)	Manolo Garcia (S)	Pentti Hamalainen (FN)	Mimun Ben Ali (S)
5. Felix Chiocca (F)	Giordano Campari (I)	Juan Cardenas (S)	Risto Luukkonen (FN)
6. Epiphane Akono (F)	Aldo Pravisani (I)	Eugene Le Cozannet (F)	Edgar Basel (G)
7. Fernand Nollet (F)	Andre Valignat (F)	Pierre Gossemyns (B)	Juanito Segura (S)
8. Guy Gracia (F)	Letterio Petilli (I)	Dante Bini (F)	Jean Guerrard (F)
9. Piet v. Klaveren (H)	Jose Martinez (S)	Federico Scarponi (I)	Rene Libeer (F)
10. Bobby Ros (S)	Ray Nobile (I)	Gianni Zuddas (I)	Henri Schmid (F)

LEGEND: B Belgium; D Denmark; F France; FN Finland; G Germany; H Holland; I Italy; P Portugal; S Spain SW Swenden.

belted out Bernard Lambert of France in three.

Ilkka Koski produced that bone-crushing right hand to chill Bobby Warmbrunn in the opening heat of their heavies argument and Eric Peters lost to Andre Henryet in a lightweight eight.

▶ **St. Brieue,** France—Fighting in his own bailiwick, Eugene Le Cozanet had no difficulty in disposing of Michel Lamora in a bantam ten.

▶ A sensation occurred at **Epernay.** When local gloveman Robert Meunier grabbed his chance and punched out a surprise win over Louis Poncy to get the latter's feathers title. Meunier is quite a veteran and figures usually as a trial-horse for foreign battlers.

▶ **Casablanca,** Morocco—A hot-spot both politically and fistically, this was the venue for the Lamperti-Valignat return. On the last occasion, Lamperti iced blond Andre in one round but since then the Parisian has run up a useful series on wins. But Lamperti has class as well as punch and outboxed his man before applying the finisher in round seven.

On the same bill, Luigi Baiata, an Italian bantam, licked Hanania Bohbot and brother Charlie Bohbot nodded Layachi in a flyweight ten.

▶ At **Dinan,** Jacques Dugenie returned to action with an easy points win over Lou Mourros in a middles ten.

▶ **Madrid,** Spain—At the Las Ventas stadium, Young Martin had a good chance of cleaning up Alex Bollaert of Belgium in the second round of their bantam clash. But Martin eased up the attack and Bollaert recovered, lasting the full ten rounds to lose by the points route.

Francisco Carreno obtained an unpopular decision over Santos Seoane in a bantam ten eliminator, the winner will now meet Antonio Diaz for his national title. Aurelio Pardo, Galician champion, was no match for the national champ, Bobby Ros, and was beaten into submission inside four rounds of their lightweight encounter. Juan Cardenas got the better of Henri Schmid, French flyweight, in a good ten.

▶ **Cagliari,** Italy—Piero Rollo's proposed battle with Mario D'Agata for the European title is gradually taking shape and the results of this Sardinian program made tihngs look rosy for the Italian champ. He earned a close but well-earned verdict over the classy American bantam, Willie Parker, in a hard ten-rounder which attracted a large crowd.

On the same card, D'Agata was also on display after a lengthy absence from the ring. He tangled with the classy Spanish flyweight comer, Mimun Ben Ali, who once again put up an excellent display only to lose the verdict to D'Agata. Press and public voted Ben Ali as the winner.

Attu Clottey returned from Australia to outpoint Paolo Melis in a weiter ten and Fortunator Manca retrieved Italian fistic honor by trouncing Sani Armstrong, Nigerian welter, in a further ten.

▶ **Vienna,** Austria—Another sporting and financial success was achieved by the Austrian promotors when 12,000 fans attended the brand-new City Hall to watch Peter Muller dispose of the tough Italian, Gino Rossi. Black Peter took the lead early on but Rossi fought back with his usual vigor and it was not until the eighth round that the Italian was dropped for "8". Muller tore into the dazed Rossi and pounded him so unmercifully that the visitor raised a weary arm as a token of defeat.

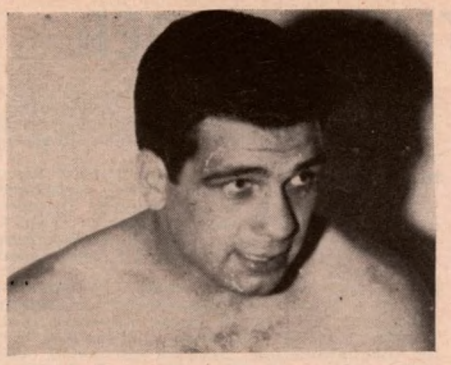
Hugo Kohler had little difficulty in ridding himself of the gallant but mediocre Belgian middle, Frans Wahl, who was counted out in the third while Leo Potesil clearly outscored Claude Perard of France in a welter six.

Joschi Windbichler halted Mario Jacomini of Italy in the fifth heat of a welter slam and Gerhard Topf belted out Castre Elisee of France in the fourth session of a bantam dispute.

▶ **Copenhagen,** Denmark—Although a British citizen now, Martin Hansen remains the bulwark of Danish boxing and returned to the scene of so many former victories to pound out a decision over the rugged Spanish champion, Manolo Correa, in a hard middles ten.

▶ **Soissons,** France—Francois Kania, local heavy prospect, won an unpopular verdict at the expense of veteran Michel Lapourielle here.

The Salle Wagram in Paris, opened its doors for the new season with the first rounds of a national lightweight competition. In the main spot was Jackie Chauveau,



Duilio Loi, the stylish Trieste battler who holds the European lightweight title, had a tough time repelling the attacks of the new Italian champion, Mario Vecchiatto, their fifteen rounder at Milan, Italy ending in a draw.

who forced Cyprien Carrie to retire in the eighth round while Cesar Fuentes likewise put a finisher to the aspirations of Ali Oura by obliging the North African to retire in the fourth round. In supporting bouts, Assane Samba iced Ceslaw Dudek the fourth of a welter affair and Dantas drew with the Spaniard, Prieto Castro, in a lightie six. The hall was only half-full.

▶ **Civitavecchia,** Italy—Rocco Mazzola, who resembles some ancient Saracen Warrior, was dislodged from the national cruiser throne by Domenico Baccheschi in a bout which went the full twelve rounds. Mazzola has recently failed to live up the promise shown on his climb to the title and this setback may stimulate him to further effort. Baccheschi is a noted hitter but possesses none too solid a jaw.

▶ **Hamburg,** Germany—Albert Westphal has defended his national heavies title for the first time and successfully warded off the furious rushes of Heinz Neuhaus to finally vanquish the beefy Dortmunder in the sixth round. Nevertheless, a stock 193-pounder like the 27-year old Westphal must surely have a tough time ahead if he is to retain the title in Germany's most popular division. Neuhaus came in at 223 but the extra weight proved of little advantage. By the sixth round the referee halted proceedings in order to have Neuhaus's eye examined. The doctor agreed to allow Neuhaus to continue and the carnage continued until the referee was finally compelled to halt hostilities later in the round.

Little Willi Quattuor is certainly coming along, he clouted Alfred Schweer out for the count in the fifth round of their return feathers slam while Conny Rudhoff was less impressive against Karlheinz Rauen, obtaining only a draw after six hard rounds in a lightie tussle.

Hans Friedrich, 205, was ruled out in the fourth heat of his eliminator with Uli Ritter, 204, through persistent holding and Rolf Peters nearly succeeded in kayoing Erwin Hack, 175, but held back after dropping the Hamburg southpaw twice. The points decision went to Peters by a narrow margin at the end of the eighth round.

▶ **Rheims,** France. Jacques Herbillon won a rather lucky nod over Jack Subero of Trinidad in a desperate welter maul here over ten rounds while Herbert Sowa of Germany put paid to the winning streak of Jean Michaud by stopping the local middle in round three.

▶ At **Lancry,** Rene Barriere blased out Claude Richard in the second round of their feathers discussion and Delorme whipped Rene Brunet in a welter eight. Dhamani halted Laforet in the fifth round of a feathers bout.

▶ **St. Quentin,** France. Paul Roux, undefeated as a pro, continued his winning streak when he outscored tough Michel Dinot here in a cruiser ten.

▶ **Liege,** Belgium. The second leg of an international welter tourney drew a fair attendance here, with Belgian champion Pierre Wouters as main attraction. In the quarter-finals he decisioned the North African, Brahim Kettani while Jef Janssens proved far too good for the Dutchman, Harko Kokmeyer, chilling him in the second round. Carl van Neste made a good impression by pounding out a victory over Jean Hoeffler in the best bout of the evening and Jean Paternotte was too clever to be caught napping by the wild swings of Tiger Sno, Dutch colonial, and won handily. All bouts were scheduled for eight rounds.

▶ **Rotterdam,** Holland. The fight season opened up here with a good win for the national middles champ, Leen Jansen, who must needs take on lightheavies in order to keep active. Jacques Bro of France proved a hard nut to crack and Jansen contented himself with a useful points decision.

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Ray Robinson, absorbed heavy punishment as far as the fight went. In a wild-swinging semi-final six, Tommy Holmes, 153, Binghamton, N. Y., had the better of Al Milone, 153½, Coney Island. Another six ended at 2:34 of the fouth, Maurice Jenkins, 152, Newark, N. J., stopping Sergio Rios, 150, Cuba. In fours, Rocky Fischetti, 132¼, Brooklyn, whipped Joey Calder, 130¼, Puerto Rico; Danny Jordan, 150, Newark, decisioned Eddie Scurlock, 151½, Bronx, and Bartelolo Soni, 175¼, Dominican Republic, halted Al Norton, 173¼, Brooklyn, at 1:09 of the first.

▶ The second non-TV offering of the new season at St. Nicholas Arena showed a falloff at the box-office when a turnout of 2,264 contributed $5,048.57 to sit in on the return ten between Isaac Logart, 146, Cuba, and Rudell Stitch, 143½, Louisville. A strong finish enabled Logart to square accounts for a decision he had dropped to Stitch in the latter's home town a few weeks before. This time Logart paced himself well and was pretty much in control all the way. Stitch, with fair boxing ability, made things interesting for the Cuban during the early rounds, but he faded in the closing stanzas and Logart went on to cinch the decision by a strong rally. Logart made particularly good use of left jabs and right uppercuts. The semi-final, scheduled for six, ended at 1:19 of the fourth, Joey Donovan, 135½, Astoria, stopping Joe Melito, 133½, Philadelphia. Another six produced a decision for Emil Griffith, 146, West Side, over Art Cunningham, 144½, Bronx. In a well-balanced set of fours, Tommy Phillisch, 161, a recent arrival from Hungary, won from Jimmy McNair, 156, East Side; Tito Velez, 144, Puerto Rico, decisioned Bob Bartels, 146½, Astoria, and Lou Carabella, 131, Brooklyn, drew with Jerry Terry, 128½, Far Rockaway.

▶ Going beyond six rounds for the first time in his brief but spectacular professional career, ex-Olympian Jose Torres, 158, Puerto Rico, posted his seventh successive win by knocking out Frankie (Kid) Anselm, 156, Philadelphia, at 2:12 of the ninth at St. Nicholas Arena. Actually a welterweight, Anselm built up for the bout by coming in five pounds heavier than he'd ever scaled before, but the added avoirdupois was more of a hindrance than a help. It slowed him down too much for the aggressive, hard-hitting Torres. The Philadelphian was dropped by a left hook in the third and absorbed a vicious battering from then on until he finally was flattened in the ninth. The non-Tv show attracted a turnout of 2,929 and a gross gate of $5,630. The card was loaded with Puerto Ricans but they did more losing than winning. Torres' victory gave them a 2-3 score for the night. The other winner was Tito Celbarro, 153, who outfought Myrick Roosevelt, 153¾, Harlem, in four. The losers were George Quinones, 130½, beaten by Sid Lugo, 136, Brooklyn, in the semi-final six; Juan Rivers, 130, who lost to Ray Sanna, 132½, East Side, in four, and Cecil Barbosa, 132½, knocked out by Jackie Donnelly, 135½, Buffalo, N. Y., at 2:36 of the third of a scheduled four. In the only bout in which no Puerto Rican appeared, Von Clay, 166, Philadelphia, finished strong to outslug Paul Wright, 172, Harlem, in six.

ADDENDA . . . Not only noted American sports centers but European as well are passing out of the scene. Jack Solomons has just staged his last fight card in London's Harringay Arena, which is to be converted into a huge warehouse, and reports from Paris have it that this may be the last year for Palais des Sport, slated for demolition to make way for a new building program.

On the subject of Europe, we wouldn't be surprised if Charley Humez announces his retirement. The French veteran was badly busted up in losing his European middleweight title to Gustav Scholz in Berlin. At 31, Humez has packed in a long, industrious career. As an amateur he fought 300 bouts, and his pro record, beginning in 1948, embraces 103. A conservative sort, Humez has been content to live modestly in the little mining town near Lille where he was born and raised.

SOUTH OF THE BORDER

BOXING IN CUBA
By Hi Jose Vieites

KID GAVILAN, ONE OF THE GREATEST FIGHTERS TURNED out in Cuba, has announced his retirement. The Keed, during his fourteen years of ring activity, was dropped only three times and rolled up a fine record. Against three opponents, Chuck Davey, Gil Turner and Ray Robinson, he was a participant in record gates for the division.

▶Havana—Jr. Lightweight Champion Angel Robinson Garcia, 130½, won the unanimous decision in 10 rounds over Canadian Pete Kawala, 128, in a good, fast bout. Paul Diaz, 150½, stopped veteran Raoul Perez, 153, in 5. Pastor Marrero, 126½, stopped Inicencio Cartas, 127, in 2. Jorge Nunez, 119, stopped Jose de los Santos 117, in 2. Pedro Bandares, 122½, won in four from Rene Garcia, 123½.

▶Havana—Wilfredo Hurst, 139½, won in 10 from Henry Ferguson, 139¾, from Miami Beach. Promising, undefeated Rolando Chico Morales, 132¼, scored an impressive win by a kayo over experienced Schoolboy Leyva in 2 rds., 134. Doug Vaillant, 131¾, stopped Joaquín Castillo, 132, in three. Juan Campoy, 146¼, stopped Eladio Vives, 145, in three. Ignacio Perez, 119½, stopped Roberto del Nol, 117, in 2 rds.

▶HAVANA: Undefeated Luis Manuel Rodriguez, 144 pounds, won the welterweight championship of the Islands when he defeated Kid Fichique, 143 in 12 rounds. Luis M. Rodriguez got the unanimous decision over Fichique. Sal Fuentes, 159¾, stopped Luis Rendon, 160 in the 4th. Urtimio Ramos, 125¾, stopped Al Castillo, 125¾ in 5. Pedro LaBarrere, 132¼, stopped Orlando Gonzalez, 133¾, in two, and Rene Arce, 125½, drew in 4 with Ignacio Matias, 125¾.

▶HAVANA: Rolando (Chico) Morales, 131½, won the best fight of his career when he easily defeated Canadian Pete Kawala, 127¾, in ten rounds, getting the unanimous decision. Morales floored Kawala for an 8 count in the third to clinch the 3 official votes. Sal Hernandez, 148½, won in 8 from Vicente Reyes, 151¼. Augusto Narvalle, 127, won in 6 from Wilfredo Gonzales, 125¾. Eliseo Aguilera, 147¾, won in 4 from Gerardo Toledo 148. Pedro Bicet, 169, stopped Giro Neninger, 163¾, in 3.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY
By Selsso Tiborro

THE TALK OF THE COUNTRY IS THE POSSIBILITY OF A MATCH between Raton Macias and Pajarito Moreno, the two Mexican idols. Results of fights during September follow:

▶Luis Trejo, 125, decisioned Cuban Huesitos Gonzalez, 125, in 10. Mike Ponce, 138, stopped Kid Tlaxcala, 138, in 6. Alfonso Palma, 105, stopped Niguel Ulloa, 110, in 1. Juan Hernandez, 116, decisioned Pancho Caballero, 118, in 6. Fili Pozos, 142, stopped Frankie Roldan, 139, in 3.

▶Al Urbina, 135, stopped veteran Julio Escobedo, 135, in 7. Escobedo announced his retirement at the end of the fight. Arnulfo Palomares, 126, decisioned Leo Hernandez, 125, in 10. Monito Luna, 116, decisioned Delfino Martinez, 112, in 8. Domingo Chavez, 118, stopped Alex Ramirez, 117, in 3. Jose Luis Dominguez, 112, decisioned Antonio Zarate, 112, in 4.

▶Memo Baltazares, 128, decisioned Bobby Gray, 128, Stockton, California, in 10. Juan Leyva, 127, stopped Juanene Garcia, 127, in 6. Alex Jimenez, 113, decisioned Gallito Segundo, 118, in 8. Reyes Ramirez, 126, stopped Tiburno Vargas, 125, in 6. Luis Lopez, 124, decisioned Tacho Rangel, 126, in 4.

▶Baby Vazquez, 134, decisioned Ezequiel Uribe, 135, in a twelve-round match, which was for the national lightweight championship. Vazquez was the champion but because of his unwillingness to defend his title, the local Boxing Commission took away his title. His victory over Uribe placed him back as the king. Chucho Hernandez, 118, stopped Chuy Rodriguez, 118, in 9. Alberto Soto, 119, decisioned Luis Estrada, 116, in 8. Chino Castelan, 126, decisioned Zurdo Mexicaltzingo, 126, in 6.

▶Roy Hernandez, 135, decisioned Carlos Barragan, 134, in 10. Sardito Guerra, 118, decisioned Monito Luna, 118, in 8. Babe Zaragoza, 135, stopped Roberto Gonzalez, 134, in 2. Jose Trejo, 126, stopped Nicolas Rangel, 126, in 1. Roberto Bravo, 118, stopped Pedro Lopez, 118, in 1.

▶Eloy Sanchez, 119, defeated Roque Fernandez, 119, by disqualification in 5. Chebo Vazquez, 127, stopped Cachorro Meza, 125, in 9. Cuervo Salinas, 110, decisioned Babe Tinajero, 113, in 8. Chocolate Guadarrama, 113, and Roman Rodriguez, 112, drew in 6. Nacho Dominguez, 127, decisioned Rosendo Martinez, 126, in 4.

▶Saul Becerril, 111, decisioned Ray Ruiz, 110, in 10. Max Huerta, 118, decisioned Tibico Torres, 118, in 10. Eduardo Hernandez, 114, stopped Leonel Aguilar, 118, in 1. Beto Beltran, 134, drew with Reyes Ramirez, 132, in 6. Pedro Contreras, 118, decisioned Jorge Ortiz, 120, in 4.

▶Hilario Morales, 135, stopped Kid Leoncito, 134, in 8. Mike Ponce, 136, decisioned Benny Rodriguez, 136, in 10. Luis Espinosa, 134, won the decision over Juan Bonilla, 134, in 4, by disqualification. Gallito Cervantes, 126, decisioned Daniel Silva, 126, in 6. Federico Martinez, 126, decisioned Tony Arizmendi, 126, in 4.

BOXING IN YUCATAN
By Eduardo Amerg

COATZACOALCOS, VER: AMADO GOMEZ, 130, TKO'd Pedro Soto, 129, in 5 rolls;—Chavalo Salazar, 124, bested Cubanito Gonzalez, of Yucatan, after 10 rounds. The Yucatanian weighed 123.

▶COLIMA, COL: Chucho (Kid) Oliva, 131, stopped Yuyin Trejo, 134, of Yucatan, after 8 rounds.

IN JUAREZ, MEXICO
By Manuel A. Prieto

MONUMENTAL BULL RING — ALFREDO ZUANY, 196 JUAREZ, SCORED his 13th win and 23 out of 24 fights, by stopping veteran Sonny Andrews, 184 San Diego, Calif., in the second round. Zuany was down two times.

Rogelio Diaz de Leon, 124 San Luis Potosi, won a clear decision over Manny Coronado, 124, Hermosillo, in the six round semi-final. Al Melendez, 137½ Juarez, looked promising winning over Marcelino Vargas, 138 El Paso, in six rounds.

Juan Valles, 136 Juarez, kept his record clean scoring a decision over Javier San Miguel, 135 Juarez, in 4. Carlos Ayala, 128 Mexico City, won by K.O. in the first over Daniel Olivares, 129 Juarez.

▶JUAREZ BULL RING—Marcelo Vargas, 141 Durango, scored an easy win over Ray Terrazas, 144 El Paso, in ten rounds. Henry Gutierrez, 144 Deming, N. M., scored another triumph, this time Tirso Rojo, 145 Juarez, was his victim in six rounds. Jorge Salazar, 124 Durango, won by a T.K.O. over Faustino Zamora, 123 Juarez, in the fifth.

Ricardo Lara, 124 El Paso, won by a K.O. over Juan Herrera, 119 Juarez, in the fourth. Cosme Rodriguez, 124 Juarez, won by a K.O. in the 2nd over Tony Martinez, 125 Juarez.

▶MONUMENTAL BULL RING, Alfredo Nevarez, 9th Ranking Lightweight of the World, won nine out of ten rounds over Jimmy Carter, 139½, New York, ex-Champion of the World.

Nevarez, weighing 134½ pounds, was too fast and shifty. More than 7,500 fans watched a fine boxing exhibition by Nevarez who had Carter in bad shape at the end of the tenth round.

Jack Flores, 147, El Paso, scored a sensational victory by a K.O. in the fourth over Baby Concer, 145, Chihuahua City. Flores was badly cut in the third but made a fine comeback in the next round.

Al Melendez, 136, Juarez, stopped Raul Anchondo, 138, Chihuahua City, in the fourth. Emilio Medina, 127, Juarez, won by a decision over Pastor Valdez, 128, Juarez, in four. Lalo Esparza, 130, Juarez, won by a K.O. in the second over Raul Menchaca, 132, Juarez.

URUGUAY BOXING
By Mario La Plume

JUAN C. GOMEZ (URUG. 66K900) DREW WITH CARLOS MORAN (Argentine 68k400) in 6. Ruben D'Oyola (Urug. 90 k.) kayoed Marcelino Tenaglia (Arg. 83k100) in 4.

Oscar De Piche (Arg. 79k400) kayoed Juan de la Cruz Sosa (Arg. 78k500) in 1. Santos Pereyra (Urug. 61k700) decisioned Jose Villalba (Paraguayan 62k100) in 10. Gate Receipts: $407.

▶Palacio Penarol: Quintino Soares (Portuguese 60k300) decisioned Pedro Quiroga (Arg. 61k200) in 6.

Juan C. Comini (Urug. 78k700) kayoed Luis Britos (Arg. 76 k.) in 3. Jorge Peralta (Urug. 65k800) decisioned Emilio Ale Ali (Arg. 67 k.) in 10.

"Sugar" Boy Nando (70k.) kayoed Hector ("BoloPunch") Rodriguez (Urug. 75k400) in round 7. Gate Receipts: $3,165.

▶Palacio Penarol: Mario Sepergo (Urug. 66k100) drew with Edgardo Badino (Arg. 64k500) in 4. Ruben Villar (Urug. 62k200) decisioned Oscar Vargas (Arg. 61k.) in 6.

Miguel Rodriguez (Urug. 73k.) kayoed Ramon Oliva (Arg. 73k500) in 3. Antonio de Britos (Urug. 62k600) drew with Antonio Repollo (Arg. 62k300) in 10 rounds. Gate Receipts: $680.

▶Palacio Penarol: Isaias Verdun (Urug. 57k800) kayoed Luis Salvatierra (Arg. 56 k.) in 1. Roberto Rebollo (Urug. 60k100) drew with Luis Bordon (Arg. 62k100) in 6.

Jupiter Mansilla (Urug. 51k500) kayoed Alberto Silva (Arg. 50 k.) in 5. Eulogio Caballero (Urug. 61k100) decisioned Juan Campos (Arg. 60k500) in 10. Gate Receipts: $3,350.

▶Palacio Penarol: Osvaldo Rojas (Arg. 66k700) decisioned Mario Sepergo (Urug. 64 k.) in 4. Ramon Torena (Urug. 61k700) decisioned Jose Lencina (Arg. 63k900) in 6.

Miguel Rodriguez (Urug. 71k100) kayoed Roque Otero (Arg. 72k500) in 5. Gregorio Peralta (Arg. 80k100) decisioned Jose Manzur (Arg. 78k700) in 10. Gate Receipts: $810.

▶Palacio Penarol: Carlos Strada (Arg. 61k800) kayoed Santiagio Diaz (Arg. 65k600) in 1. Ruben Villar (Urug. 62 k.) decisioned Sebastian Gonzalez (Arg. 62k400) in 6.

Ricardo Falech (Arg. 69k100) decisioned Alberto Billaflor (Arg. 69k100) in 10.

Jorge Peralta (Urug. 66k700) decisioned Godofredo Barcos (Arg. 67k500) in 10. Gate Receipts: $460.

BOXING IN ARGENTINA
By Simon Bronnenberg and Alfredo Porzio

CORDOBA.—IN THE FEATHER DIVISION, at the "Cordoba Sport Club", Vicente Vezzone, champion of this country, stopped Nildo Peralta, in three.

▶COMODORO RIVADAVIA.—Oscar Rojas, a good prospect in the middle division, kayoed Cesar Pereyra, in the 9th round.

▶MAR DEL PLATA.—Hard punching "Rocky" Rivero, now in the middle division, kayoed Americo Cordoba, in the fourth.

▶CORDOBA. — The Argentine-Panamanian welterweight Frederick Thompson won a 10 round decision over Francisco Espelozin.

▶LA PLATA.—At "Atenas" Club, the South American bantam champion Roberto Castro won the decision in 10 rounds over Marcelo Avila.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—At "Luna Park", the undefeated middleweight Farid Salim won a ten rounds decision over Marcelo Videla. Vicente Derado stopped Alejandre De la Cruz Martinez in the seventh, and Silvio Friass (welter) decisioned Antonio Varela, in 10.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—Luna Park, ex-bantam Argentine champion Roberto Castro, won the decision in 10 rounds over the Mendoza champion Guido Granizo.

▶LA PLATA.—The lightweight of Spain, Fred Galiana, at the "Antenas Club" kayoed Manuel Raposo in three.

▶MAR DEL PLATA.—Francisco Espelozin, welter, won a 10 rounds decision over Nelson Rizzo at the "Bristol" Arena.

▶TANDIL.—Ex-feather champion of Argentina, Manuel Alvarez, won the decision over Aldolfo Pendas in 10 rounds.

▶CORDOBA.—The undefeated lightweight champion of Argentina Jaime Gino kayoed Vicente Panzani in six.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—A new champion in the welterweight division of Argentina, Cirilo Gil, ex-champion of this division, won the title from South American champion Martiniano Pereyra.—Gil won in 9th round when the doctor stopped the fight because of cuts.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—At the Luna Park ring, the undefeated middleweight Antonio Nigri, stopped Juan Carlos Zalazar in three. Adolfo Pendas kayoed Omar "Polvotita" Ricilio in four. Juan Carlos Ducay drew with Raul Roldan in the welter division.

▶CORDOBA.—The feather champion of Spain, Manolo Garcia, won the decision in 10 rounds over Guillermo Mendoza.

▶MAR DEL PLATA.—For the local title in the middle division Ubaldo Sacco won the decision in 10 rounds over Americo Cordoba.

▶BUENOS AIRES—Eduardo Lausse and Andrea Selpa, staged a poor fight which was received with displeasure by the public.—All indoor records were beaten: 1 million 326,640 pesos.—The ten round decision went to Lausse. The title of Argentina champion that Selpa held was not risked, but because of the poor showing the Federacion Argentina de Box stripped him of the crown and suggested to the Confederacion Latinoamericana de Box to do the same with the South American title.—Besides Selpa was nationally and internationally suspended for 6 months. A crowd of 22,000 was on hand.

LA LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCES

By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

ENRIQUE LUTTEROTH, SON OF "CZAR" SALVODOR LUTTEROTH—controller of the big boxing in Mexico—started as promoter here using the Torreon Bullfight Plaza, which is a property of the Lutteroth family. Last year, the Lutteroths paid half million peso, in cash, for the 8,000 capacity Arena. And now, they are in charge of the promotion here.

▶PLAZA DE TOROS "TORREON": Eusebio "Chebo" Hernandez, 164, only needed 2.45 of the very first round to ice Alfonso Flores, 155, National Middleweight Champion. Veteran Chebo looked great and strong and the Champ was in a very poor condition.

In the 10-round semi, Federico "Chino" Gonzalez, 126, whipped Indio Ramos, 127. Chamaco Rodriguez, 124, stopped Victor Villarreal, 120, in three. Javier Puente, 130, decisioned Vicente Nuño, 132, in six. Jaime Macias, 116, halted Roberto Cazares, 117, in the third round.

▶ARENA "OLIMPICA", Gomez Palacio: Claudio Adame, 126, the husky mulatto, floored Americo Rivera, 126 six times and he finally finished the boy in seven rounds. Lalo Duque, 137, embalmed Octavio Salas, 139, in six. Luis Hernandez, 115, bested Luis Gonzalez, 110, in ten rounds. Lupe Sanchez, 132, and Javier Rodriguez, 133, drew in four. Nati Guardado, 123, kayoed Alfonso Garcia Gress, 124, in two rounds.

▶PLAZA DE TOROS, Torreon: Newcomer Rodolfo "Chivo" Diaz, 144, gave a good account of himself when he nailed Carlos Macias, 141, in the last round of their scheduled tenner for a kayo.

Panchito Saldivar, 117, had to work very hard to get the 10-round duke over veteran Serapio "Sapito" Jimenez, 120. Javier Gonzalez, 126, beat Benito Vazquez, 125, in eight. Vicente Flores, 125, iced Jose Leon Mares, 128, in the fifth. Julian Saucedo, 117, outpointed Robert Ovalle, 116, in the 4-rounder.

▶ARENO "OLIMPICA", Gomez Palacio: Nacho Paredes, 118, surprised the fans when he defeated favorite Facundo Martinez, 123, in ten fast rounds.

The fans got another big upset in the 10-round semi when Sabino Mendez, 118, held favorite Gregorio "Goyo" Flores, 116, to a draw.

Roman Rodriguez, 115, stopped Luis Hernandez, 119, in four. Gerardo Iñiguez, 132, halted Lupe Sanchez, 132, in the third. Nati Guardado, 117, decisioned Salvador Guerrero, 117, in four.

▶PLAZA DE TOROS, Torreon: Frankie Campos, 118, the little Barber from Los Angeles, was too strong for Raul Leaños, 118. In the sixth, he sank his left hook into Raul's midsection to send the boy to sleep.

Vicente "Pichon" Ramirez, 131, put the red light to Manuel "Chamaco" Castro, 139, in the seventh round. Jesus "Chuca" Rodriguez, 127, the undefeated newcomer, nailed Memo Ruiz, 128, in only two rounds. Miguel Orona, 126, sent Pablo Henriquez, 127, to sleep in the very first round. Pedro Javier Rodriguez, 125, did the same in the same time, with Kid Campeche, 120.

▶PLAZA DE TOROS, Torreon: Ramon Hernandez, 158, kid brother of famous Chebo Hernandez, stopped Henry Burton, 165, Monroe, La. Ramon floored his man two times in the sixth, the last one for keeps.

Hector Ramirez, 126, bested Federico "Chino" Gonzalez, 126 in ten bloody rounds. Salvador "Chicharitos" Ruiz, 137, stopped Mario Herrada, 136, in the third. Libe Zavala, 129, decisioned Vicente Flores, 127, in six. Pilo Moreno, 116, former Golden Glove Champ, started as a pro with a 4-round draw with Jaime Macias, 117.

▶PACHUCA: Juan Ramirez, 126, halted Pedro Rocha, 128, in seven rounds. He floored his victim twice in the second. This Ramirez boy will make the grade. Pascual Perez, 117, stopped Juan Ibarra, 118, in eight.

▶MANTE: Genaro Govea, 123, got the 10-round duke over Vidal Cardosa, 125. Victor "Cuino" Olvera, 126, halted Mundo Perez, 128, in the second.

▶MONTERREY: Silvestre Villarreal, 134, easily handled Rafael Camacho, 132, in ten rounds.

▶MOTAMOROS: Eloy Sanchez, 119, Mexico City prospect, bested Rudy Valdes, 120, after ten fast rounds.

▶NOGALES: Jorge "Pulga" Herrera, former National Flyweight Champ, 119, got the duke over Joey Arias, 121, in ten rounds. Danny Medrano, 120, put the red light to Chontita Lopez, 120, in four.

▶MUZQUIZ: Kid Gallero, 123, outscored Panchito Hernandez, 122, in ten rough rounds.

▶NOGALES: Blond Mustache, Arnoldo Gil, or Arnold Hill, 146, fought Enrique Esqueda, 145, to a 10-round draw. Baby Saroni, 126, outpointed Indio Arellano, 128, in 10 rounds.

▶REYNOSA: Baby Zarate, 126, handled Gildo Vargas, 127, in ten rounds.

▶GUAYMAS: Miguel Berrios, 126, The Red Devil from Puerto Rico, nailed Grillo Aguilar, 123, in three rounds. Francisco "Torito" Hernandez, was kayoed by Gerardo Cepeda, 119, in six.

▶FRESNILLO: Joe Garcia II, 118, stopped challenger Pecas Alanis, 117, in the last round of their scheduled 12-rounder Championship match. So, Joe the Second, is still the Bantamweight King in the Zacatecas' rings. Lupe Garcia, 135, iced Negro Calvera, 133, in nine.

▶HERMOSILLO: Miguel Berrios, 126, stopped Genaro Serafin, 127, in two rounds. Well this is day-by-day Berrios riding again! But that wasn't all. Hold! In the 10-round semi, Grillo Aguilar, 123, the same one who fought Berrios, decisioned Tony Meza, 120, in ten rounds.

▶PACHUCA: Dinamita Alvarez, 127 stopped "Pato" Sanchez, 126, in two rounds. Pascual Perez, 118, also kayoed Juan Ibarra, 119, in eight.

▶CUERNAVACA: Tibico Torres, 117, bolted Angel Jimenez, 119, in two. Santos Gutierrez, 117, did the same with Javier Gabino, 116, in the third.

▶HUCHITAN: The Mendoza Family is a real one. There are three brothers who always fight together in the same card. How about Dad? Firstborn Rolando Mendoza, better known as "Ventarron II", 126, iced Kid Coca, 128, in three. Second born, Kid Lunarcito (Little Mole Kid), 118, nailed Nacho Cardoso, 118, in the fourth. And the little one, Ray Mendoza, 114., 14 years old, beat Joe Conde, 117, in six rounds. What a family!

▶ACAPULCO: Juanito Ramirez, 127, continued with his triumphal way. Now the kid stopped veteran Adrian "BomBom" Kiriz, 128, in four rounds.

▶CULIACAN: Roberto "Culiche" Uriarte, 126, beat Ramon Mayoral, 128, in ten rounds. Panaderito Martinez, 140, outpointed Manny Yamaciro, 145, in eight.

▶MATOMOROS: Chucho Hernandez, 118, beat Mike Garcia, 117, in ten. Baby Zarate, 125, flattened "Trucutu" Velazquez, 127, in the third.

▶AGUA PRIETA: Biteguis Kid, 152, floored Indio Geronimo, 155, to get the 10-round official verdict, but the fans booed the verdict. Danny Medrano, 120, halted Chamaco Guzman, 121, in six.

▶GUAYMAS: Jorge "Pulga" Herrera, 118, whipped Gerardo Cepeda, 119, in ten rounds. Grillo Aguilar, 125, the man who fights day-by-day as does his pal Berrios stopped Tony Meza, 122, in the sixth.

▶HERMOSILLO: Well, what do you think of this? Here is that "Grillo" boy fighting again. This time Pimi Barajas Jimenez, 117, stopped the Cricket in seven rounds, after flooring him three times. Of course, we are talking of "Grillo" Aguilar, who weighed 124. Hector "Chango" Ceballos, 119, stopped Frankie Villegas, 121, in four. Ray Contreras, 145, did the same thing in the same time to Eddie Rivera, 148.

▶PACHUCA: Santos Gutierrez, 114, stopped Kid Pitochas, 115, in two rounds. Pascual Perez, 117, used only one round to nail Chucho Medina, 119.

▶MATAMOROS: Ray Martinez, 135, held Lalo Duque, 132, to a 10-round draw. It was a hard fight with both boys changing blows all the time.

▶MONTERREY: L. C. Morgan, 142, Youngstown, Ohio, landed a terrific right cross to Arnoldo Gil's jaw and gave the Blonde Mustached boy a one-round ticket to the Kayo Paradise in the eighth round. Arnoldo weighed 146. Pajaro Gonzalez, 120, bested Nicho Gonzalez, 121, in the 10-round semi. Hector Ramierez, 125, iced Gallito Garcia, 124, in three.

▶OBREGON: Little Cowboy Rudy Corona, 119, ruined Cuban Jose Oliva's Mexican debut, when he easily handled the 118 pounder Cuban during the full 10-round route. Jorge Chavez, 137, halted Jesus Morales, 138, in three. Antonio Gutierrez, 126, iced Nabor Rivera, 124, in the second.

▶ACAPULCO: Fidel Alfaro, 117, upset Miguel Ulloa, 115, in ten. Pollero Garcia, 118, knocked out Esteban Hernandez, 119, in the very first round.

▶MEXICALI: Joel Sanchez, 128, outscored Collier Cox, 130, in ten. Panchito Duran, 127, bolted Jerry Louis, 126, in the fifth.

▶OAXACO: Saul Beceril, 115, official challenger for the National flyweight championship, had a real headache with modest Marcel Montoya, 114, who fought the favorite boy to a 10-round draw.

▶COLIMA: Chatito Ochoa, 115, whipped Reynaldo Tavio, 114, Cuba, in ten rounds. Kid Avina, 125, decisioned Marcelo Gonzalez, 122, also in a tenner.

▶REYNOSA: Battling Torres, 128, the frontier hard hitter, scored another knockout when he stopped Antonio "Zorrito" Ramirez, 132, in the second round.

▶MATOMOROS: Luis Trejo, 125, defeated Memo Gonzalez, 123, in ten.

▶CUERNAVACA: David Perez, 148, iced Armando Sanchez, 150, in only two rounds. Elias Macias, 119, surpassed Raul Cruz, 120, in ten.

▶ACAPULCO: Juanito Ramirez, 124, won his 16th straight triumph as a pro, knocking out Heliodoro "Leo" Hernandez, 126, in six rounds. Juanito floored his foe two times before finishing him. Alex Arenas, 126, nailed Kid Memo, 125, in two. Santos Gutierrez, 114, also kayoed in two Victor Garcia, 116.

▶MONTERREY: Silvestre Villarreal, 136, scored a kayo triumph over Sergio Gomez, 132, in six rounds. Paco Castro, 148, stopped Apolinar Huerta, 142, in four after flooring him three times.

▶OAXACA: Eddie "Chilero" Luna, 117, outpointed Paulino Guerrero, 118, in ten. "Torito" Mota, 119, won over Babe Ortega, 120, also in ten rounds.

▶OBREGON: Joey Arias, 118, stopped Gerardo Cepeda, 119, in the sixth. Tony Lopez Smith, 140, stopped Chale Silva, 141, in three. Fernando Gomez, 118, KO'd Lucio Flores, 120, in the third.

▶OBREGON: Miguel Berrios, the Red Devil from Porto Rico, was signed for a Big Show in Mexico City. He was to get around $6,000 to fight Toluco Lopez at El Toreo Bullfight Plaza. And Miguel, took a fight in Obregon to keep himself in good shape. An easy one, he thought. But Angel Guerrero, 126, gave Berrios a real beating and when the ten rounds were over, the referee declared Guerrero the winner. So, the $6,000 dream was shattered. In the 10-round semi, Tony Lopez Smith, 136, iced Jorge Chavez, 137, in four.

▶MONTERREY: The Youngstown, Ohio, bombardier, L. C. Morgan, 139, was unable to knock-out Juan "Bombin" Padilla, 145, he easily got the duke after 10 rounds. Babe Alonso, 127, iced Indio Ramos, 126, in five rounds.

▶ACAPULCO: Rafael "Torito" Mota, 119, outpointed Luis Estrada, 120, in ten. Pollero Garcia, 118, beat Memo Vargas, 119, in eight rounds. Shunko Kid, 133, did the same with Fidencio Ramirez, 135, in six.

▶OAXACA: Rafael Camacho, 125, upset favorite Luis Trejo, 126, and scored a real surprising knockout in nine rounds. Panchito Gonzalez, 123, bested Papelero Rodriguez, 122, in the 10-round semifinal.

▶CULLIACAN: Here we have another upset. Auburn Copeland, 129, danced around Ezequiel "Chicles" Uribe, 133, and he won a very surprising 10-round triumph. Uribe is rated as the third lightweight in Mexico City, with only the Champ Babe Vazquez and Alfredo Navarez over him. Sabino Gonzalez, 126, nailed Roberto "Culichi" Uriarte, 125, in the eighth.

▶GUAYMAS: Jose Oliva, 118, Cuban boy, stopped Tony Arizmendi, 119, in only two rounds.

▶DURANGO: Jorge "Babe" Salazar, 115, a Torreon newcomer, upset Gregorio "Goyo" Flores, 116, in ten rounds. Pablo de la Cruz, 118, bested Pablo Barrios, 117, also in ten. This show was organized to collect money for unfortunate great veteran Salvador "Kid" Mares, who lost his left eye.

▶TIJUANA: Youngster Kid Irapuato, 123, got a very split duke over Billy Peacock, 124, after 10-well fought rounds. Pajaro Gonzalez, 126, decisioned Rocky Fontanette, 127, in the other tenner.

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KLAUS-CARPENTIER

(*Continued from page 17*)

It is questionable. Carpentier would have been credited with 12 rounds, Klaus with 8 and these 8 more than counterbalanced the first twelve in my opinion.

But the end came unexpected and dramatic. In the middle of the 19th round, Carpentier, who looked very tired, took a hard punch on the mouth and his lip was badly cut. Blood started flowing but the Orchid Kid was proud of his appearance. Instead of spitting out the blood, he kept it in his mouth, hoping to release it in the basin at the end of the round, but the cut was too severe and before the round was half over, he was choking and as he coughed the blood gushed from his mouth and covered the canvas over a wide area. The Frenchman's chest was crimson colored as were the coats of several ringside reporters. I must say it was a ghastly sight, one that faint-hearted Descamps who couldn't stand the sight of blood, could take.

He leaped into the ring, terrified. Then I witnessed one of the strangest scenes in my long career of more than half a century.

Carpentier, desperate, realizing that he could win only by a knockout though he had rolled up a good sized margin in the first portion of the fight, suddenly became berserk. He went after Descamps and attempted to toss him out of the ring. Georges was wild with rage, knowing full well that Descamp's action in entering the ring would cause the fighter's disqualification. And it did.

The referee could not but declare that Klaus had won, based on the manager's entrance into the ring during the action and Engel, shrewd American, took quick advantage of the situation. Though his man had not been at the required weight for a title fight, he announced that he claimed the world middleweight championship for Klaus and strange, indeed, neither Descamps nor Carpentier protested, something they should have done.

What surprised me most, however, was that the newspaper reporters went along with Klaus in his claim, despite the fact that he was not entitled to any such laurels. Even the French Federation of Boxing said nothing about it, but the American papers didn't recognize Frank as champion until a year later, when I promoted the Klaus-Papke bout and Papke lost on a foul in the fifteenth round. Klaus then received the support not only of every European organization but of the Americans, as well.

Now what I would like to ask of my good friend, Nat Fleischer, whose Ring magazine is accepted world-wide as the official organ and authority on boxing are the following:

1. Since we in Europe advertised the Klaus-Carpentier fight as one to decide Stanley Ketchel's successor, did Carpentier win the title on the scales, his opponent being three pounds overweight?

2. Though Klaus correctly won the bout when Descamps leaped into the ring and disqualified Carpentier, did Klaus win the world title as he and Engel claimed?

3. Was not Carpentier, though disqualified, entitled to world honors, since he was the European champion, came in below the weight limit of the class, and his opponent fought as a light heavyweight?

The stories so frequently published that Descamps leaped into the ring to prevent Klaus from knocking out Carpentier, are in error. Carpentier was at no time on the verge of a knockout. My story is the first accurate account of this famous international middleweight battle.

A-ROUND AND A-BOUT

(*Continued from page 31*)

"Did you say it was midnight?" he asked.

"Yes, how'd you make out?"

"Well honey," said the boxer, *"I guess I must've been knocked out again. There ain't anybody here but me."*

And that, Mr. Powell, is the way it usually goes!

FROM OUR READERS

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matchmakers who insist upon forcing mediocre fighters on the public and ballyhooing them as the stars.

Lew McFarland,
Camden, N. J.

THANK YOU

Dear Sir:

In a recent issue of the *Ring*, mention is made of Fritz Von Ulm, a young German heavyweight wrestler. Mr. Fritz has been campaigning in the Southern California area as Fritz Von Goering, a nephew of the infamous Mr. Hermann Goering. He has mauled a number of good men in single matches and has teamed with Nature Boy Rogers to form one of the roughest duos on local mats.

Fans of the Olympic Auditorium, Los Angeles, were witness to an unusual sight recently. The sight: Lou Thesz being carried off the mat on a stretcher. During the third fall of his match with Nature Boy Rogers, Thesz caught the full force of a double knee drop in his back. Rogers, leaping from the turnbuckle, hit Lou with three of these drops. The match was stopped by referee Mike Ruby, as time ran out. Thesz was not able to walk and was taken to a local hospital. The next day it was announced that he would be all right but bookings for the next few weeks would be canceled.

I want to compliment you on the fine wrestling articles that you have been printing in your magazine. They are very interesting and full of news that is hard to obtain otherwise.

Frank S. Mott,
Alhambra, California

CONNECTICUT RING NEWS
By Sal Giacobbe

WALLINGFORD'S FIRST BOXING SHOW IN YEARS provided a new and interesting format to the pugilistic picture in Connecticut. The Oakdale Theatre, a long time and successful summer play house, was the scene of action. To be more specific, the theatre is confined to a large tent, with the stage pitched in the center, thereby providing an ideal set-up for a boxing show, as every seat is a ringside seat. With a seating capacity of 2,185. Ben Segal, the theatre's energetic producer, new to the boxing business, made a most successful debut as Connecticut's newest boxing promoter.

With local, favorite, Frank Keating, 160, meeting Stamford's Chico Vejar, 160, Segal came up with the State's most "natural" fight of the year. Billed for the middleweight championship of Connecticut, it was an action packed and thrilling bout throughout 10 rounds. Vejar, sustained a cut right eye, in the second round, from a butt. After two visits from the ring physician, Charlie Goldman, veteran trainer and corner man got the cut under control and with the bleeding stopped, Vejar, started working on Keating's mid-section and was visably slowed up by Vejar's body attack and Vejar outpointed his man.

Although the large crowd of 1,308 roared and cheered Keating's every effort, Red Moffet, the referee, was not swayed by the highly partisan crowd, awarding the decision to Vejar by 48 to 45 score. To say it was an unpopular decision is an understatement as the crowd booed for a full ten minutes. But all agreed they had seen a great fight with this writer agreeing with the referee's verdict.

All six rounders that went the distance, Willie Eaton, 157, New Haven, scored an upset win over Jimmy Monts, 160, Hartford, in the best bout of an exceptionally good undercard. Eaton, floored in the first round, came back strong in the last two rounds to deck Monts three times to win a hard earned decision.

BOXING IN PANAMA
By Juan W. Copeland

PROMOTER LIN DUNCAN GAVE THE FANS 26 ROUNDS of boxing at the Arena Colon in which Romiro Viveros, 126½, from Coli-Colombia, the feather champion of that country, was knocked out by Jesus Santamaria, 126, of Panama, in the seventh round of their international battle before a huge gathering. Referee Al Brown stopped the fight.

Hector Hicks added another triumph to his list when he defeated veteran Black Bill in a six rounds feather contest.

The best bout on the card was that between Arturo Smith, 127¼, and Jose Felix Gondolo, a thriller of six rounds, with Smith the winner. Cisco Kid, 112, was no match for Kid Manhattan, 113½, in four rounds which Kid Manhattan won.

The Colombian Consul gave a trophy to Santamaria.

CORRECTION!

Mike Triolo, one of the leading boxing coaches in the Marines during World War Two is the director of boxing for the Chicago Catholic Youth Organization and Tony Zale is the head boxing coach for the same outfit. In a recent issue we named Zale as the director. This is an error.

RING NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA

By Ray Mitchell

AUSTRALIA HAS LOST ONE OF ITS FINEST CITIZENS; boxing has lost its greatest friend with the death of JOHN HARPER, radio announcer of radio 2KY, good fellow and friend of the needy. John always gave away more money than he used on himself; in fact, he often was in debt because of the money he gave to the deserving. He was a great boxing fan and managed welterweight Bobby Sanders in an honorary capacity. Many thousands paid their last respects to John.

John was in a hospital only a short while and during his stay there, his room was like a busy railway station, with friends coming and going. Those friends included members of Parliament, Court Judges, barristers, newspapermen, stage and radio stars, wharf labourers, paper-sellers and old-age pensioners.

▶South African, JOHNNY VAN RENSBURG, weighing only a half pound over the lightweight limit, gave a boxing lesson to Australia's lightweight champion, MAX CARLOS, at Melbourne Stadium. Johnny, who lost the Empire welter title to George Barnes a month ago at Sydney Stadium (George won by knockout in the 13th round), knew too much for Carlos, who won only three rounds, according to referee Terry Reilly. Van Rensburg is a very polished boxer.

▶A week previously, GEORGE BRACKEN, who lost his lightweight title to Carlos a couple of months ago, tangled with RUSSELL SANDS, who drew with Carlos only a few weeks ago. Bracken hit too hard for Russell, knocking him out in the seventh round.

▶The best fight between middleweights in almost 20 years. That was the fight at Sydney Stadium when CLIVE STEWART, Australian middleweight champion, and WILLIE VAUGHN, American, battled to a close points win for the American. There was action in every second of the contest, neither pausing for breath. Willie got it, but there was little in it and both boys were exhausted at the finish.

▶There had to be a return. It took place at the same stadium three weeks later, but what a difference! Apart from the fourth and tenth rounds, it was one-way traffic. Stewart gave his worst display ever; he seemed to have too much respect for Vaughn after their first torrid affair and Vaughn ran out an easy points winner.

▶A few weeks ago, Australian welter, BILLY STANLEY outpointed (just) American middleweight AL TIGER WILLIAMS. It was so close there had to be a return. They had their second tangle at Sydney Stadium and this time Williams made no mistake. He ran out an easy points winner. Williams fought much better in the return. Stanley's performance was far inferior to his winning bout with the American.

▶American WILLIE MORTON came here on strong recommendation. His first showing (reported last month)—against Italian, Franco Rosini—left much to be desired, but as Rosini ran away all night, nobody was very severe on Morton, who did win every round. That was in Melbourne. Willie then met BILLY TODD at Sydney Stadium, and for a round and a half, he gave a good account of himself. He knocked Todd to the floor in the second round, but Billy got up and knocked Morton down. That was it, as far as Wee Willie was concerned: he refused to fight any more. He stayed in there for the twelve rounds, but he wouldn't come near Todd. The Australian ran out the easiest of points winners. Both welters.

▶Melbourne Stadium got the Australian featherweight title tilt between BOBBY BATH, former Olympian, and GEORGE FLEMMING, who was making the feather limit for the first time in nearly a year and a half. Flemming is the new Australian champion, per medium of a cut eye stopping the fight in the ninth round. Bath held a points lead at the time. Previous champion, Max Murphy retired a few weeks ago.

▶Perth, Western Australia, is going strong with two to three promotions per month. Former featherweight contender, JOHN CHARLTON, made a comeback and outpointed CYRIL BODNEY. W.A. State middleweight champion, CLAUDE WALSH, weighing a few pounds over the welter limit, had a comfortable points win over Sydneysider, KEITH SAUNDERS, who weighed in at the same poundage.

▶Wollongong has re-opened for boxing and had the first promotion there for some months, VINCE TOOK took out a close points decision over NEV BEALE over ten rounds. They are welters. I was referee.

▶Australian light-heavy champion, BILLY McDONNELL, has retired. Only 21 years of age, he came to three decisions during the month: he retired from boxing; he announced his engagement to be married; he applied to join the police force.

SOUTH AFRICAN NEWS

By Les Muller

JOHANNESBURG. — MIKE HOLT, 173½, THE SOUTH AFRICAN light-heavyweight champion, earned the narrowest of decisions in 10 rounds over the American, Rogue Maravilla, 173¾, at the Rand Stadium, Johannesburg. Holt's best punches were sharp left-hooks, Maravilla landed the most damaging blows at close quarters with short-arm blows to the body and jolting upper-cuts to the head.

Charlie Els (128¾) stopped Jos Blignaut (133¾) in 3. David Hamman (182) beat Sias Hatting (186) on points over four rounds. Jan Botes (145¾) stopped Kid Valentine (147) in 1. Peter Lock (134½) stopped Ken Watson (132½) in 1. Pietie Pieterse (159) kayoed Renier Boshoff (160) in the second round. Mickey Pretorius (148½) stopped Lawson Viljoen (138) in 1.

▶Nkana, Northern Rhodesia.—Evie Vorster, former South African welterweight champion, lost on a first round disqualification to Billy Lotter, leading contender for the South African middleweight title. Vorster was disqualified for hitting low.

Middleweight:—Fred Vosloo stopped Ronnie Meyer in round five.

Welterweight:—Kalie Stols beat Wally Madley on points over four rounds.

Middleweight:—Henry Speedie stopped Wally Schulz in the first round.

▶Durban. — Benny Niewenhuizen, former South African welter-weight champion, scored an easy third round T.K.O. win over Sampie Pretorius at the Durban City Hall. This fight was scheduled for ten rounds, at the welterweight limit. Pretorius was bleeding badly from a cut over the eyes.

The South African middleweight champion, Dickie Williams scored a convincing points victory over Pietie Pieterse in an eight-rounder. Williams sustained a cut over his eye in the fifth round, but floored Pieterse for a count of eight in the fifth round and for counts in the second and seventh rounds.

Bernie Taylor outpointed Phil Kleynhans in their six-round featherweight contest. This was Kleynhans' first professional fight. Gerry Vorster beat Jos Blignaut on points over four rounds in a lightweight fight. Roy McRae beat Sias Hatting over four rounds in a heavyweight clash.

▶**Non-European Round-Up.—Johannesburg.**—Jerry Moloi (135), leading contender for the South African lightweight title, scored a knock-out win over Ed Kekana (135) at the Johannesburg Social Centre, in the fifth. Kekana had to be carried out of the ring. Silas Ncala (135), impressed with a T.K.O. win over Rufus Khanye (134) in round six. Herbert Hlubi (163½) beat Phineas Khumalo on points over six rounds. Hamilton Madonsela (125) outpointed Kid Tshabalala over eight rounds. Diedricht Letsolo (125) scored a T.K.O. victory over David Molifi (125) in round four. James Kokoane (148) beat "One-One" Ngwenya on points in a four-rounder.

▶**Johannesburg.**—Philemon Tshabalala, (151) Transvaal middleweight champion, scored an easy one round K.O. win over John Walcott Mahlangu (152) at the Johannesburg Social Centre. Encoh Nhlapo (140), Transvaal featherweight champion, suffering from sore feet, scored an easy points victory over Kid Cobra (133) over four rounds. Battling Hlathi (156) gained a disputed points victory over Saul Nhlapo (154) over four action packed rounds. Levie Madi (125) beat Diedricht Letsolo (123) on points in a six-rounder. Williams Mokoena (133) beat Stephen Segole (130) on points over six rounds. Eric Ntsele (115) outpointed Sam Booysens (122) in a four-rounder. King Miller (132) beat Phillip Madumela (134) on points in another four-rounder.

CANADIAN MARITIMES

By F. W. Bishop

MONCTON, N. B., THE UNDER CARD OF THE DURELLE VS. MACK fight which Durelle won in 10 rounds, was as follows: Norm Gautreau, 143, Moncton, Maritime Welter boss, drew in an action-packed fight with New Glasgow's Roy 'Tiger' Steele, 146, Gautreau scored the only knockdown in the fifth round.

In four round fights, newcomer Jack Fournel, 175, Moncton had his hands full with Peter Duff, 170, New Glasgow, Duff's stronger finish earned him a draw.

Louie Cormier, 140, Memramcook took a unanimous decision over Len Belliveau, 140, also of Memramcook in the opener.

▶**New Glasgow, N. S.** In the biggest upset of the Eastern season, Maritime Lightweight champion, Jackie Hayden, 134, Westville, N. S., upset former French champion, Lahouari Godih, 135, over 10 fast rounds. Hayden held his own through the first five rounds with the busy Godih closing fast from the sixth on and losing a disputed decision.

Doug Odo, 153, Thorburn, outpointed Kenny Shea, 157, Dartmouth, N. S., over six action-packed rounds.

Billy Stewart, 174, Thorburn outpointed Peter Duff, 169, Stellarton in four. Southpaw Leo Steele, 134, P.E.I. finished off George Burns, 129, Halifax, in 29 seconds of the first round.

▶**Campbellton, N. B.** Battling Poirier, 147, Dalhousie, N. B., upset veteran Norm Gautreau 143, Moncton, N. B., over eight rounds on a split decision.

▶**Yarmouth, N. S.** Cecil Gray, 204, Springhill, N. S., outpointed Bobby Coutu, 200, a Halifax based sailor over the 10 round route to headline the Yarmouth Fire Dept. show. This was Gray's third win of the season over Coutu. Cecil Waybret, 145, Stoney Island, ran his winning ways to three of four, as he outpointed Steve Johnson, 147, Liverpool, N. S., in the semi-final of six rounds.

Spider Sparks, 135, Halifax, stopped John MacLean, 133, Dartmouth in two. George Burns, 135, Halifax, a loser of eight of nine by K.O.'s, was counted out after 25 seconds of the first round as Tommy Doucette iced him with one left hook.

▶**Bridgewater, N. S.** The South's Shore top fighter, Bobby Grace, 152, Bridgewater, on a comeback, made short work of young Reg Warrington, 157, Liverpool, stopping him at the two minute mark of the third round.

BOXING NEWS FROM HAWAII

By Ted Yamachika

STAN HARRINGTON, 151, HAWAII'S WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPION, SCORED the biggest win of his career when he decisioned veteran Joe Miceli, 149, of New York in a ten round fight at the Honolulu Stadium. The triumph was sweet revenge for Harrington, who had been badly trounced by Miceli in the same ring about two and a half years ago. The verdict favoring Harrington was unanimous. Referee Walter Cho scored it 49-43; Judge Louis Freitas, 49-44; and Judge Benny Beruan, 47-43.

The fight itself was rather dull and even disappointing to most of the highly expectant crowd. A slippery ring, the result of an early evening shower, didn't help matters any. Of the two, Miceli was probably more handicapped by the conditions than Harrington but the way he fought, the outcome would have been the same regardless. He was sluggish and about five years slower than two years ago. He just didn't have it. He tired early in the fight and was backing away during most of the later rounds.

Harrington was the aggressor throughout and kept punching all the way. He scored best with left-right combinations. He shook Miceli with good blows in the fourth, sixth and eighth rounds.

Promoted by Boxing Enterprises, Ltd., the fight drew 5,267 fans and grossed $18,504.

Vince Davi, 152½, of Los Angeles beat Anacleto Battad, 153½, 4 rds. Victor Rivera, 141, decisioned Marvin Rose, 137, 4 rds. Danny Kosora, 129, won over Johnny Greer, 130½, 4 rds. Yutaka Saikawa, 140¼, decisioned Dan Santiago, 142, 4 rds.

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BOXING IN ALBUQUERQUE
By Johnny Seubert

CIVIC AUDITORIUM:—Jimmy Martinez, Glendale, Arizona, easily copped a ten round decision over Bobby Jones, Oakland, California, in the main event. Both are middleweights.

Henry Guiterrez, Deming, N. Mex., and Joey Limas, Albuquerque, belted each other all over the ring in the eight round semi-final with Guiterrez getting the unanimous nod of the officials. This was a lightweight duel.

Bob Harrington, 129, Albuquerque, stopped Phil Vargas, Taos, N. Mex., in the jig-time of 2:59 of round number one. Both lightweights.

Flory Olguin, 135, Albuquerque, stopped Joey Garcia, 134, Deming, N. Mex. in 1:10 of the fourth round. Another lightweight bout.

Freddie Garcia, 158, Costilla, N. Mex., decisioned Frank Romero, Albuquerque, 158.

▶Civic Auditorium:—Ray Terrazas, 145, El Paso, unanimously decisioned Joe Louis Murphy, 144, Albuquerque, in a slow ten round main go.

Flory Olguin, 136, was awarded a knockout over fellow townsman Joey Limas, 136, after 2:57 of milling in the fourth round of a scheduled six round semi-final.

Bob Harrington, 134, Albuquerque, split decisioned Joe Valdez, 134, Albuquerque, in four.

Freddie Garcia, 157, Costilla, N. Mex., stiffened Mike Kelly, 158, Oklahoma, in 1:38 of round two.

Lindell Buttram, 157, Salem, Oregon, won the majority decision over Frank Romero, 156, Albuquerque.

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TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

THE TEXAS BOXING COMMISSION HAS RULED THAT THE RECENT BOUT between Joe Felan and Al Boudreaux in Waco on July 22, should go to Felan by virtue of a six round technical decision rather than a technical knockout for the Frenchman.

The referee ruled that the eye cut suffered by Felan was due to a head butt on the part of Boudreaux. However, the third man was unaware that if a fight has to be halted after it is half over due to a participant being unable to continue as a direct result of his opponent butting, then the fight automatically goes to the fighter who is ahead on points. A check of the tally sheets by the Boxing Commissioner showed that the clever boxing Joe Felan was well ahead on each tab. Referee Golden, who has always done a fine job as a third man, then wired the State Commission of his error in at first calling the fight in favor of Boudreaux. So, it goes down in the record books as a six round victory for Joe Felan over Al Boudreaux.

▶Port Neches, Texas—William R. Glenn, Promoter Mickey Brown, 160, Houston, hit the comeback trail after a brief layoff, and had his duke raised after 10 rough rounds of milling with Margarito "Chico" Garcia, 160, Corpus Christi. In prelims, Harold "Tiger" Redman, 160, Beaumont, kayoed Arthur "Hurricane" Jones, 159, Houston, in the fifth frame. Noland Williams, 160, Houston, iced Shelton Guillory, 156, Beaumont, in the third. Bobby Flores, 140, Houston, stopped Marshall Simpson, 138, Houston, in the fourth heat of a hot war.

▶Corpus Christi, Texas, Coastal Bend Boxing Club Rudy Valdez, 120, needed only eight rounds to stow away Gerardo Isoba, 121, in the 10 round feature attraction. Antero Molina, 124, kayoed Al Gomez, 124, in three. Abel Escobar, 141, stopped Larry Molina, 140, in two, and Nick Lara, 117, put the finisher to Manuel Vasquez, 116, in the initial canto.

▶Corpus Christi, Texas—George Samano, Promoter Tommy Ramirez, 168, the grizzly veteran of 10 years experience, finished off Manuel Gutierrez, 156, in the seventh round. Abel Pena, 126, won a six rounder from Monico Garza, 127. Esteban Vega, 115, kayoed Nicholas Reyes, 115, in the fourth. Francisco Ortiz, 115, decisioned David Morales, 110, in four fast ones.

▶Odessa, Texas, Eddie Davis, Promoter—Eddie Davis made his debut as a promoter in Odessa. He had the veteran Jacky Blair, 135, headlining his first venture against another experienced battler Bobby Garza, 133, Blair outboxed his shorter foe, and was the winner in 10 heats. Rip White, 163, continued his winning ways by icing Charlie Robinson, 160, in just one round. Kenny Shields, 138½, kayoed Allen Steptoe, 142½, in three. Leroy Simon, 148, dropped Johnny Avendano, 150, for the count in the first. Bobby Castillo, 142, ended it in the first heat also when he finished off Leo Roberson, 145.

▶Brownsville, Texas, Nolan B. Aycock, Promoter—Jose Cancio, 152, won a 10 round decision over Manuel Banuelos, 158. Jose Zapata, 155, stopped Ramon Vera, 154, in the third. Eloy Zarate, 129, tkayoed Hilario Molina, 135, in the fifth round. Jose Osoria, 128, stopped Daniel Vasquez Lopez, 128, in two frames.

▶San Antonio, Texas, Tony Padilla, Promoter—In a whale of a scrap Larry Baker, 149, New York, decisioned hard punching David Cervantes, 149, Mexico, in 10 fast rounds. Cervantes had to get off the deck, but that he did and stayed in there with the nationally known New Yorker. Eusebio "Chebo" Hernandez, 162, the former world's ranking middleweight, stopped Julius "Sonny" Grimes, 162, Houston toughie, who was making his pro debut. Ramon Hernandez, 160, brother of Chebo, kayoed Lester Brown, 156, Houston, in the seventh round. Jesse Leija, 129, kayoed Nicholas Reyes, 116, in two and Abelardo Varela, 136, iced Tony Villegas Luna, 135, in the fourth.

▶Corpus Christi, Texas, Geo. Samano, Promoter—Rudy Valdez, 122, kayoed Jorge Gomez, 116, in the fourth round of the scheduled 10 round headliner. Artura Diaz Mora, 129, iced Oscar Ortegon, 138, in the fourth—Ortegon is the former Corpus headliner. Antero Molina, 123, stopped Gustavo Carrera, 121, in the second. Richard Gullien, 119, won a four round duke from David Morales, 110, in fourth.

▶Austin, Texas, Pat O'Grady, Promoter—Joe Louis Hargrove, 141, Austin, tossing punches from all angles at southpaw Gil Tapia, 136, San Antonio, emerged victorious after 10 action packed rounds of fighting. Rocky Caballero, 156, Austin, finished off veteran John Victor Penn, 160, Houston, in the fifth round. The finisher sent Penn sprawling underneath the lower rope strand. Mel Barker, 150, Austin, decisioned Ray Portilla, 153, Houston, in the 10 round top attraction.

▶Odessa, Texas, Eddie Davis, Promoter—Eddie Davis came up with one of the greatest fights ever seen in the city of Odessa on September 29, when he pitted world's second ranking featherweight Paul Jorgensen, 131, against Reuben Munoz, 129. They were on a local TV station, and what a tremendous battle they put on for the 1,500 fans who turned out plus the thousands who eyeballed the fight via the circuit route. The initial decision went to Munoz by a split majority, but Jorgy's corner hastily asked for a recheck of the tabs. The Deputy Boxing Commissioner rechecked, and found that Jorgensen should have been declared the winner on two cards, and the third slip favored Munoz. So, Paul's hand was raised after plenty of excitement. It was a great action fight.

In the eight round semi-windup George Price, 162, Houston, continues to mop up on all opposition in the middleweight and light-heavy ranks in the Lone Star State, and this time it was clever Sherman Goodman, 168, Houston, who took the count in the fifth after absorbing some terrific punches. In a six round bout the 12 year veteran of the punch for pay ranks, Chango Patino, 147, Houston, needed but one round to knock out Jackie Lane, 140, Houston.

BOXING IN MONTANA AND NORTHWEST
By Mel Epstein

IN A WEDNESDAY NIGHT NATIONALLY TELEVISED BOUT, at the Portland Armory, Don Jordan gained a split decision over Gaspar "Indian" Ortega in ten torrid rounds of slugfest. Jordan, weighing 141½ appeared to land the heftier punches but the 145½ pound Injun, in the opinion of the ringsiders crowded more punches into the Californian.

Roger Rouse, the former resident of Opportunity, Montana, but now making his home in Portland, flattened Bobby Peacock in two heats.

In another ten round bout at the Armory, nineteen year old Denny Moyer, a native of Portland, outboxed Valdez and out-slugged tough and willing Juliano Vallejo, California. Although Moyer won the fight, Valdez would be welcomed back to Portland again.

Fresh from Vancouver, B. C., Jimmy Walters, just turning professional, landed a Dal Hawkins left hook upon the jaw of Jimmy Raxter in the first round to crush home a quick knockout over Portland Jimmy.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By J. Jimmie Amann

DESPITE THE MANY REQUESTS FROM HIS FRIENDS, the friendly counsel of the National Boxing Association, former heavyweight champion Ezzard Charles has decided to continue his career in the boxing ring. Charles has a public office job and should quit boxing. He lost to Alfredo Zuany in Juarez on September 30.

LOUISVILLE, Ky BOXING NEWS
By Joe Martin

AT THE DOWNTOWN ARMORY, RUDELL STITCH, 144, Louisville, was awarded a technical knockout over Luther Rawlings, 150, of Chicago in the fourth round. The fight was stopped by referee Paul Matchuny after Stitch had blasted Rawlings with a knee-buckling right and a crashing left hook and had the Chicagoan in trouble.

In the preliminaries: Billy Collins, 140, of Nashville, gained the unanimous decision over Robert Keeling, 133, of Dayton, in four. James Roberts, 163, Louisville, knocked out Eddie Osgood, 168, Detroit, in five. Unbeaten Gene Gresham, 140, Detroit, won a split decision over Leon Rosana, 139, of Indianapolis, in eight. Henry Hank, 161, Detroit, knocked out Charley Glover, 161, of Cincinnati, in 2:42 of first.

▶At the State Fairgrounds, Billy Tuck, 158, of Louisville, disposed of James Cousins, 158, of Indianapolis, in 38 seconds of the fifth round. Tuck scored with a wicked left hook to the side of the body and a chopping right hand as his adversary went down. Popular Louisvillian Danny Jones, 142, won over Ross Calvin, 141, of Nashville, in the eight-round semi-windup by a split decision.

Beau Jack Brown, 157, Louisville scored a decision over Fletcher Lee, 155, Louisville, in a punishing eight round brawl.

Willie Moran, 147, former Louisville amateur king was victorious in his second pro start by knockout. This time, the victim was Ben Burkhead, 148, Charlestown, Ind. in 2:24 of the first round.

BOXING FROM CHARLOTTE, N. C.
By GENE GORDON

AT CHARLOTTE'S MEMORIAL STADIUM, boxing fans here braved the rain and enjoyed a terrific action-packed card promoted by Bob Little.

Pittsburgh's Bob Baker proved to have too much experience for Charlotte's Waban Thomas in the main event. A well timed left hook decked the Charlotte fighter for the count in the fourth round. Baker's left landed in the liver as Thomas left his right side unprotected, after throwing a hook.

Baker saw the opening and quickly finished his game but outclassed opponent, handing him his second defeat since he turned professional 18 months ago.

Baker weighed 220 while Thomas was 195.

Alonzo Johnson, 184, a stable mate of Baker's, looked impressive when he took a decision over Shirley Pembleton in the ten round semi-final. Pembleton, from Philadelphia, weighed 180.

Johnny (Ace) Hand, Durham, N. C., stopped Bert Callahan, Greensboro, N. C., via a T.K.O. in the fifth round of their featherweight slugfest. Veteran trainer Lou Kemps protege June Payne decisioned Frank Jefferson of Durham, N. C., in a four round preliminary. Payne, a Charlotte boy is the best lightweight prospect seen here in quite some time.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

DIXIE'S DANCING-LIKE HEAVYWEIGHT HOPE, Willie Pastrano, offered nary an alibi upon return home in Miami Beach after his second meeting with British adversary Brian London, in London. This sportsman attitude proves again that boxing has gentlemen in its fold. From what our column understands, Willie could have raised the roof when the English referee awarded Brian a technical knockout victory when the Southerner received a cut eye.

▶Prior to the trip overseas, Willie Pastrano, 186, performed in Columbus, Georgia, and knocked out Tommy Thompson in the fourth round. With his picture boxing, Pastrano also gave the crowd of 1,445 a chance to see his right hand do the power work and it was this mitt that finally thumped Thompson, game fellow, for good in 2:31. Tony Scala refereed. Thompson, ex-marine officer, is from Washington, D. C.

Ross Calvin, of Nashville, and Rufus Kitchens, of Columbus, met in the semi-final and emerged all-even after eight rounds, although Calvin had Kitchens on deck twice. Billy DuPriest, of Columbus, TKOed Dan Matthews, of Nashville, in two rounds. The loser was down twice in the first heat. Buddy Wilson added another win for Columbus by taking a knockout triumph in four over Ray Matthews, of Nashville, after 34 seconds lapsed in that round. Bobby Evans, Atlanta, beat Danny Randy, of New York in four, and Billy Ray Barber, Columbus, dittoed over Jo Tunney, of Atlanta.

▶Guy Sumlin upset the applecart at Miami Beach defeating Gomeo Brennan in the 10 round main event of Promoter Chris Dundee's show but the split decision lacked the lustre it could have brought but for a listless affair. Sumlin, from Mobile, made it 14 straight however, with the help of Miami cornermen Pat O'Malley and Chappy Roberts.

As for Brennan, his win streak stopped at 10. Topping the night's action was Sal Fuentes scoring an eight round decision over Claude Williams, making up for the draw in a previous bout. Gene Mann whipped Lee Flowers in a four; Buddy Edenfield took Bill Hall in another four, while Silky Shelton scored over Willie Finney, same number.

▶Tampa's Claude Williams tamed "Cat" Robinson, in the 10 round main bout at Tampa, taking practically every round while clouting the Miamian with both hands for the unanimous decision. Each weighed 155.

Tino Fuerte, 142, copped the six round semi, decisioning Hymie Budow, 138½, of Miami, in a good get-together. A second semi found Hilton Smith, 132½, and Sammy Campbell, 134, in a six round draw. Both are locals.

Sugar Boy Smith, 176, Tampa, and "Tiger" Flowers, Miami, 174 pounder, likewise drew, but in a four. Buddy Cooper, 142½, Tampa, earned a split four rounder over Billy Hall, 142½, Miami. The card, promoted by Tony Cancela, drew 1041 fans.

▶Miguel Diaz was too much for mismatched and dead-game Cecil Deal and was awarded a technical knockout in the fifth round over the Macon 147 pounder at Tampa on September 29th. Diaz, 151, of San Cristobal, Pinar del Rio, Cuba, pounded away at will before Referee Joey Raymond humanely stopped the bout, most agreeable to the 1100 fans.

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Action prevailed in the other bouts. Buddy Cooper, 146½, of Tampa, beat fellow townsman Kid Boots, 144, in the main-sixer by a split verdict. Another six-semi went the same way to Sammy Campbell over Tom Dennis. The winner at 135, and the loser, 137½. Making his pro debut on this card promoted by Tony Cancela was Pico Lopez, 137, of Tampa, and he made it a winning one by taking the measure of Miami's Joey Moran, 135, in a four rounder.

▶The Tampa fight results have been sent in by our very good friend and sports writer Billy Kirby, to whom we are indebted. Bill will continue to keep our column in touch with the game in Tampa.

▶A September 16th card at Columbus, Georgia featured Bennie Droll and Bobby Lane in the 10 rounder matched by Promoter Fred Ward. Droll surprised the Lane camp by thumping out a decision over the Miamian but also set the stage for a rematch in the near future. The veteran Droll fought hard all the way and he looked okay in this here bout.

▶Again, we are grateful to a friend and sportswriter for contributing results for publication in our column. Cecil Darby, of Columbus, Georgia, will help when fight cards are arranged in his home town. Thanx, Cece.

WASHINGTON D. C., CAPERS
By Mike Geary

FRANKIE RYFF, 137, BRONX, N. Y., gained a unanimous ten-round decision over Gale Kerwin, 140, Ottawa, Canada, in a nationally televised main event from Capitol Arena.

Ryff, under the able guardianship of Whitey Bimstein and Manager Barney Ross, was in complete command, having decked his man in the fourth and cheated by the bell for what might have been a full count on Kerwin. The Canadian fell prey to a general working over with one eye being partially closed in the second round and the other in the sixth. An accidental butt in the eighth opened a cut in his forehead and the swollen left eye was opened in the ninth.

At this late and bloody stage of the contest, Gale suddenly became very much alive and for the remainder of the ninth and tenth rounds the New Yorker took to his bicycle but still sustained some staggering damage. Nonetheless, the rally came too late for Kerwin and the authorities reported as follows: Referee Eddie La Fond, 94–85, Judge Mike Tardugno, 98–87 and Judge Joe Bunsa, 96–89, all for Frankie Ryff.

In a six-round semi-final, Harold Smith, 135, Washington, D. C., decisioned Steve Hayward, 131, Baltimore, Md.

Four-round preliminaries: Ernie Knox, 175, Baltimore, beat Eddie Bell, 168, Washington. Willie Grey, 147, Washington, D. C., won over Jimmy Biggs, 148, Washington, D. C.

Goldie Ahearn, the Promoter.

BOXING BITS FROM VIRGINIA
By Jack Levinson

THERE SEEMS TO BE NO STOPPING OF THE ROANOKE amateur (PAL) fighters, they continued their victory march against a team composed of scrappers from Whitesville, W. Va., Richmond, Va., and Charlotte, N. C.

▶In another team match, Roanoke (PAL) boxers scored over opponents from Richmond, Va., White Sulpher Springs, W. Va., and Charlotte, N. C. The results of this triple city match follow:

Ronnie Saul (R) won by a K.O. in the first round over Charlie Salomone (Richmond); Wayne Stinnett (R) won over Billy Sanhow (Richmond); Allen Camper (R) won over Allen Todd (C); Burt Halsey (R) won over Charlie Masters (W. SS, W. VA.) and Tony Culler (C) won over John Myers (R).

▶Secretary Don (Bill) Brennan of the Virginia State Boxing Commission, has notified inspector Emmett Jacobs of Roanoke, that the Finals of the state A.A.U. tournament, will be held in Roanoke, in late February, or early in March. Jacobs' address is: 214 Walnut Ave. S.W-Roanoke Virginia.

KANSAS CITY AND VICINITY
By Max Yeargain

STORMY LOVE 210, 20-YEAR-OLD, FORMER GOLDEN Gloves heavyweight champion, making his professional debut in one of the live preliminaries in conjunction to the closed circuit telecast title match between Floyd Patterson and Roy Harris, made a terrific hit with the near capacity crowd in Memorial hall, Kansas City, Kansas. Love, after losing the first round to Al Shields, 212, Seattle, began throwing his heavy bombs in the second round, nailing the Washington heavyweight with a tremendous left hook, to score a spectacular knockout in 1:50. Veteran boxing men who saw the former Joplin, Mo., heavyweight in action, now fighting out of Kansas City, were predicting a brilliant future for the youthful Missourian.

An upset occurred in the feature six round windup, when Bobby Bickle, 142, Kansas City, due to roughhouse ring tactics, had two rounds taken away by Referee Sergeant Jame McQuitty, and thus lost a split decision to classy Cecil Courtney, 142, Oklahoma City.

Gene Havenar, 130, Wichita, who had twice defeated Alonzo Davis, 130 Leavenworth, Kans., was edged in four bristling rounds.

▶Del "Dub" Nabors, Irish heavyweight, who won Kansas City's light heavyweight and heavyweight Golden Gloves title, is scheduled to make his professional debut in October.

CLEVELAND NEWS
By Harold Walsh

JOHNNY GRIFFITHS, THE FAMED AKRON FLASH OF WORLD WAR ONE DAYS, was admitted to the Summit County Hall of Fame at the Sheraton Hotel in Akron. Griffiths fought many bouts in Cleveland, Canton, Akron and Columbus, Ohio. He fought nineteen bouts during his career against five world champions, Mickey Walker, Jack Britton, Ted Lewis, Willie Ritchie and Freddy Welsh.

Griffiths fought in France, England, Canada, Australia and in parts of the U. S.

▶Two prominent Cleveland sportsmen died recently, Sammy Deustch and Max Zucker. Both were connected with boxing and other sports.

NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

"THE GOLD RUSH" is on. INGEMAR JOHANSSON, Sweden's pride and joy, holder of The European Heavyweight Championship, jumped into first place as challenger for Floyd Patterson's World's Heavyweight Title.

At Gothenberg, Johansson put the skids under The Number 2, Challenger EDDIE MACHEN of California in 2.15 of the first round. Machen was unbeaten as a professional until he met the soft spoken Swede.

It was a reminder of the days when Jack Dempsey was in his prime, for as soon as the gong sounded, Johansson was at Machen like a Tiger at his prey. The long left jab of the Swede soon found their mark, and Machen could not get out of the way, then "ZOWIE", a right cross with all the power one could wish to see exploded on the chin of The American whose legs became rubbery till he sank to the canvas for a count of eight. On rising, The American tried to clinch, but the ferocity of Johansson was plain to see, he had Machen at his mercy, and he was not going to let his opportunity slip by.

Here was a Tiger out for the kill, left, Left, then another right was pounded on Machen's jaw and down he went. He just beat the fatal TEN. It would have been in The American's favor had he failed to beat the count, for on rising, the youthful Swede let fly with all kinds of punches on the game Californian who sank to the canvas to be counted out by referee Andrew Smyth of Belfast.

Eddie Alquist who pilots the 25 year old Ingemar, will not be rushed into false moves. Jack Solomons who was present at the ringside has plans of matching the Swede with Brian London, British Heavyweight Champion, but Johansson has not yet accepted the bout pending the outcome of negotiations for a fight for the title with Floyd Patterson. Ingemar is now in America on vacation.

I am sticking my neck out in placing the young Irish lad John Caldwell as the best flyweight in the British Empire. Caldwell undefeated as a professional, handled Empire Champion Dennis Adams with ease winning every one of the rounds fought, and many critics who have seen the flyweights along the line from Jimmy Wilde onwards, claim that he is the best since "Wee" Benny Lynch. Let me tell you readers, if he can be compared with Lynch, then he is a great prospect for WORLD HONORS, for "Wee" Benny was a great little fighter.

The third surprise of the month in boxing took place when Henry Cooper defeated the Number One ranking world heavyweight from America, Zora Folley in 10 rounds at the Wembley Pool. Despite blood streaming from three cuts over the left eye and an eight count down in the third round, Cooper, unrated prior to the fight, made a strong finish to pull the bout out of the fire and win Referee Little's decision. Folley's manager protested that the decision was unfair, but the majority of the spectators thought otherwise.

In the semi-windup Dick Tiger, 29 year old Empire middleweight champion punished Yolande Pompey of Trinidad severly to win the 10 round decision. Ron Richardson beat Bill Wadham in six. Len Barrow, Swansea outpointed George Harrpe, Bethnal, in six.

▶PORTHCAWL . . . The boxing season opened with a "BANG" here. Henry Cooper, Bellingham, 188, got up off the floor to cause a big upset in the British heavyweight division. Looking all over as a beaten man, Cooper surprised all the critics by planting a hard left to Dick Richardson's (Newport, 205) liver and then over the top to the jaw. Richardson winced and Cooper, alert at the change in the contest, shot a right to The Welshman's unprotected jaw. Richardson went down resting on the lower rope with eyes glassy taking a count of eight. Cooper seeing his opponent's plight, went in for the kill. Referee Ike Powell, seeing the helpless Richardson unable to protect himself, stopped the bout in favor of Cooper. A crowd of 12,000 was bewildered at the sudden turn of events in the fifth round. Richardson looked all over a winner up to then. He suffered a cut over the left eye, in the first round. The show was promoted by Sir Leslie Joseph and Jack Solomons.

In a battle for supremacy between Len "Luggie" Reece, Cardiff, 113¼, and Ron "Ponty" Davies, Llanbradach, 113¼, the fans were treated to slugfest. Davies forced the pace from the start with his non stop punching. Reece emerged from a clinch with a cut left eye. The bout continued till the seventh. At the gong, Reece's seconds called to the referee that their man was not in a fit condition to continue, leaving Davies as the winner.

Freddie Cross, Abertillery, 159, outpointed Alex Buxton, Watford, 160, in a ten round eliminator for the British Middle weight title. Cross boxed well to outpoint the hard hitting colored Buxton. . . . Phillip Jones, Cardiff, 124¼, gained a good points win over Terry Rees, Catford, 126½, in six. . . . Eddie Bee, Cardiff, 149½, stopped Teddy Barrow, Swansea, 150½, in the second. . . . Johnny Cole, Bow, 171½, knocked out Billy Cornelius, Walworth, 173½, in the first. . . . Stan Perry, Swansea, 154, outpointed Russell Daniels, Neath, 159, in four.

▶HANLEY . . . Roy Jacobs, Nigeria, 129¼, scored a convincing points win over Brian Jones, Nottingham, 128½, in eight. He boxed with confidence and outsmarted the aggressive Nottingham battler who was a clear winner. Gerry Parker, Beeston, 115¾, outpointed Silas Boka, Nigeria, 115¾, in eight. Tex Williams, Carlisle, 142½, weathered the storm in the last round of six to gain a points decision over Billy Riley, Liverpool, 148. Ron Hignett, Liverpool, 138, knocked out Johnny Coles, Beeston, 132¾, in the third. Ritchie Edwardson, Liverpool, 149½, knocked out Billy Allitt, Nottingham, 144¾, in the second.

▶BIRMINGHAM . . . A bout that should have taken place seven years back, between Randolf Turpin, Leamington, 175, and Yolande Pompey, Trinidad, 168¾, at last materialized with both fighters well past their peak. In his last few bouts Turpin, although on the winning side, was prone to visit the canvas when his opponent was able to connect on the head. In his bout with Pompey, he showed flashes of his prowess in the first round when he put Pompey down for a no count, but after that good start, Pompey was clever enough not to be caught again. In the second round, Pompey biding his time waited for an opening, which came within 90 secs of the round. A heavy right to the side of the jaw sprawled The British Champion on the deck to be counted out.

Johnny Halifihi, Tonga, 171¾, won a hard fought points decision over Jack Whittaker, Warwick, 172¾, in eight. George Aldridge, Market Harborough, defeated Ronnie Vale, Leamington, 160, in the seventh, after the latter had taken several counts and was in receipt of a badly cut eye, he wisely retired at the end of the seventh. Ronnie Rush, Cardiff, 144, and Ebe Mensah, Nigeria, 142¾, fought a thrilling eight to a draw. Maxie Earle, Doncaster, 194, stopped Peter Woodward, Birmingham, 177½, who failed to answer the bell for the second round. Jimmy Robinson, Brownhills, 130¼, defeated Terry Russell, Poplar, 131¾, on points at the end of six stirring rounds. Barry Ridge, Leicester, 116½, stopped Johnny Brittle, Wednesbury, 114¾, in the fifth, when the referee intervened after the latter had taken two counts, and was unable to defend himself. Tony Smith Wolverhampton, 189, former Midland Counties Amateur Heavyweight Champion, made a good start in professional career with a third round knock out over Gene Jackson, Leicester, 178.

▶STREATHAM . . . Bobby Neill, Edinburgh, 127¾, gained a good win over the Belgium featherweight champion, Aime Devisch, 127¾, when referee Bill Jones, stopped the bout in the sixth, to save the latter from further punshment. After the bout Neill was found to be suffering from a broken jaw. The injury it seems was sustained in the first round. Randy Sandy, America, 154¼, seemed to have a clear win over Ron Redrup, West Ham, 165¼, at the end of their 10 round bout, but referee Tommy Little called the bout a draw. In the second round Sandy took command and dealt out severe body punishment to the West Ham cruiserweight. In the last two rounds Redrup, who was well behind on points, took a do or die stand against Sandy and again nearly brought off a K.O. against the fast tiring American.

Johnny Kidd, Aberdeen, Scottish Lightweight Champion, 132½, boxed and punched well to win over George Martin, Belfast, 136¾, who was forced to retire at the end of the fourth owing to having a badly cut eye. Barney Beale, Lambeth, 135¾, was a little too smart and shifty for Dave Stone, Battersea, 137, and was a worthy winner on points at the end of eight hard fought rounds . . . on Warnes, Erith, 146¾, outpointed Don Martin, Formby, 147½, in six.

▶LIVERPOOL . . . Albert Carroll, Bethnal Green, 148¾, enhanced his claim for a Welterweight Title match against Tommy Molloy, when gained an easy points win over Jimmy Croll, Dundee, Scottish Welterweight Champion, 148½, in eight. . . . Carroll, taller with a longer reach easily kept the aggressive Scot at bay. The more Croll tried to corner the Londoner, the more he was apt to be caught by the fleet-footed Carroll, who scored with ease . . .

▶NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB . . . LONDON . . . The opening show of the season saw the promising Canning Town welterweight, Jim Daly, 145, was pitted against Terry Burnett, Cardiff, 147, in his first eight rounder. Referee Bill Williams declared that Daly had outpointed the Welshman, but many of the members thought otherwise, and voiced their opinions accordingly.

Billy Wadham, Tottenham, 146½, clearly outpointed the hard hitting colored Harry Haydock, British Guiana, 143¾, in eight.

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

to October 21, 1958

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Brian London (E)	Yvon Durelle(C)	Dick Tiger (N)	George Barnes (A)
2. Henry Cooper (E)	Johnny Halafihi (To)	Yama Bahama (B)	Johnny van Rensberg (SA)
3. George Chuvalo (C)	Mike Holt (SA)	Terry Downes (E)	Gerald Gray (T)
4. Joe Erskine (W)	Yolande Pompey (T)	Clive Stewart (A)	Joe N'Gidi (SA)
5. Joe Bygraves (J)	Jack Whittaker (E)	Wilfie Greaves (C)	Gale Kerwin (C)
6. Dick Richardson (W)	Arthur Howard (E)	Martin Hansen (E)	Tommy Molloy (E)
7. Kitione Lave (To)	Ron Redrup (E)	Phil Edwards (W)	Jimmy Newman (E)
8. Sam Langford (N)	Al Sparks (C)	John McCormack (S)	Albert Carroll (E)
9. Gawie de Klerk (SA)	Eddie Wright (E)	Freddie Cross (W)	Billy Todd (A)
10. Alan Williams (A)	Dave Mooney (S)	Attu Clottey (G)	Darby Brown (A)
LIGHTWEIGHTS	**FEATHERWEIGHTS**	**BANTAMWEIGHTS**	**FLYWEIGHTS**
1. Dave Charnley (E)	Hogan Bassey (N)	Peter Keenan (S)	John Caldwell (I)
2. Willie Toweel (SA)	Percy Lewis (T)	Freddie Gilroy (I)	Dennis Adams (SA)
3. Richie Howard (C)	Pete Kawala (C)	George Bowes (E)	Frankie Jones (S)
4. Ludwig Lightburn (BH)	Bobby Neill (S)	Johnny Morrissey (S)	Ron Davies (W)
5. Ron Hinson (E)	Roy Jacobs (N)	Dick White (A)	Len Reece (W)
6. Jackie Hayden (C)	Johnny Howard (E)	Jimmy Carson (I)	Malcolm McLeod (I)
7. Max Carlos (A)	Ayree Jackson (G)	Sexton Mabena (SA)	Lloyd Gordon (C)
8. George Bracken (A)	Charley Hill (S)	Pat Supple (C)	Warner Batchelor (A)
9. Billy Kelly (I)	Charley Els (SA)	Billy Rafferty (S)	Alex Ambrose (S)
10. Russell Sands (A)	Derry Treanor (S)	Dai Dower (W)	Little Joe (G)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BG) British Guiana; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (IN) India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales.

Dennis East, Canning Town, 119, and Ken Langford, Slough, 120, gave the members all the thrills that goes when two bantams let fly at each other, although East won the majority of the eight rounds by a narrow margin. Langford never stopped trying to overcome the Canning Town's lad's early lead. Referee raised the hand of East as the winner. Tommy Leroy, Redhill, 174, and Billy Smith, Croydon, 170½, fought a thrilling six before Leroy was awarded a narrow points decision. Tommy Lee, Croydon, 153½, stopped George Davis, Nigeria, 151, in the first when the latter received a badly cut eye, and the referee intervened.

▶GLASGOW . . . Freddie Gilroy, 115¾, from Belfast looks like a sure bet to gain the British & Empire bantamweight title when he meets Peter Keenan. The Irish lad, 22 years of age, is undefeated in his twelfth professional bout, and in his contest with Johnny Morrissey, Newarthill, 116¾, which was fought as a final eliminator for Keenan's titles, proved beyond doubt that it is even betting that he will be the new champ at 118 pounds. . . . Gilroy, with his southpaw stance, overwhelmed Morrissey from the start. The bout ended in the eighth when the Scot was forced to retire with a broken jaw, but, Morrissey was well and truly beaten. The Scot had his chance in the seventh when he landed a beautiful right to the body. Gilroy sank to the canvas like a beaten man, but got to his feet at nine when the bell saved him. Morrissey, sensing victory within his grasp, took the initiative in the next round but soon ran into a hard left hook that the Irish lad placed on the Scot's jaw. Down went Morrissey for a count of nine. Gamely rising, another left hook put down for another count of nine. . . . The gameness of the Scot was beyond doubt, for he tried again to turn the tide, but to no avail, for a combination of punches to the head, saw him on the canvas once more and at the count of five, the bell came to his rescue.

Referee Ike Powell went to Morrissey's corner when his seconds said that he could not go on, as he had suffered a bad mouth cut. It was afterwards ascertained that the Scot had sustained a broken jaw. It was a brilliant win for Gilroy, but it was a great losing battle that Johnny Morrissey had put up.

Eddie Wright, Mile End, 173¾, won his Cruiserweight Eliminating bout against Dave Mooney, Wishaw, 172, whom he knocked out in the third. . . . Mooney gained his feet as the referee had counted the fatal "Ten".

JOHNNY CALDWELL, Belfast, 112½, is a name to remember, for this little Irish Lad with only five professional bouts under his belt, defeated Dennis Adams, South Africa, 113, British Empire Flyweight Champion, with ease over ten rounds. The hard hitting South African could not match his skill against the brilliant Irish lad, who in the Melbourne Olympics, showed such versatile form although beaten in the semi-final. More will be heard of Johnny Caldwell and Freddie Gilroy of Belfast.

Guy Gracia, France, 137, defeated Billy Kelly, Derry, 136¼, in the ninth, when the Irish lad received a badly cut eye, forcing the referee to intervene in favor of Gracia. Eric Bret, Retford, 118¼, defeated Jimmy Carson, Belfast, 120, in the second, a cut eye was the cause of Carson having to retire.

▶SHOREDITCH . . . Terry Gill, West Ham, 149, Southern Area Welterweight Champion, was too aggressive for Leo Maloney, Hillingdon, 146, who was on the defensive throughout. In the last round Maloney tried to pull out from a certain points defeat, but he met more than his master in the aggressive Gill who was a clear points winner at the end of eight rounds.

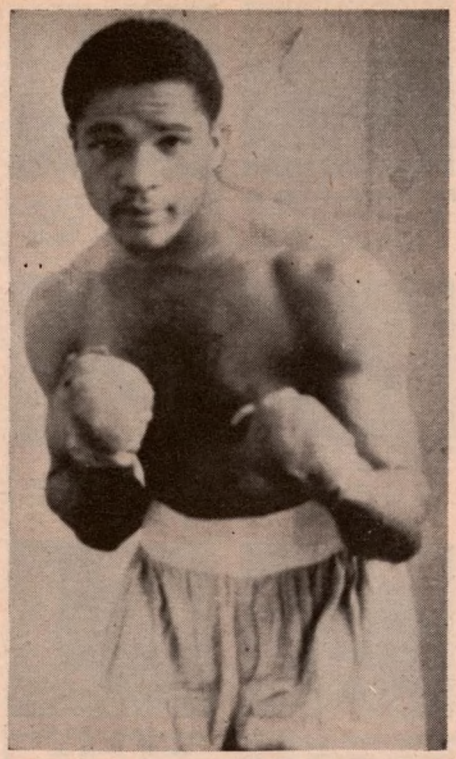
Robbie Wilson, West Ham, 126½, was a points winner over Alf Drew, Hackney, 126½, in eight. . . . Eddie Hughes, Walworth, formerly of Wales, 137, knocked out Peter Hill, Leyton, 139, in the third. . . . Ron Jones, West Ham, 120, defeated Terry TOOLE, Hackney, 123, in the sixth when referee Pat Mills stopped the bout in Favor of Jones, owing to Toole having received a badly cut eye. Dave Chandler, Battersea, 136¼, outpointed Charlie Williams, Deptford, 139, in six thrilling rounds.

▶BIRMINGHAM . . . Sandy Manuel, Nigeria, 145, was too smart for Mick Leahy, Coventry, formerly of Co. Cork, 148¾, after a keenly contested eight.

Harry Edwards, Smethwick, 135¾, gained a close points win over Brian Jones, Nottingham, 131, in a thrilling eight.

Gordon Corbett, Birmingham, 171, knocked out Billy Cornelius, Walworth, 175¼, in the third. . . . Tony French, Woking, 148, continues his winning way and pleases the fans by his good work. Against Tex Williams, Carlisle, 144½, he had no difficulty in stopping his opponent in the fourth when the referee intervened in his favor.

Chic Calderwood, Glasgow, 171¾, knocked out Stan Cullis, Coventry, 172¼, in the first.



Yolande Pompey of Trinidad, dropped in the first round in battle with Randy Turpin at Birmingham, England, came back to halt the British champion in the second stanza.

Colin Salcombe, Smethwick, 131½, outpointed Ron Rowley, Pontypridd, 129, in six.

Dave Auld, Leicester, 145, outpointed Howard Turpin, Leamington, 146, in six. . . . Johnny King, Birmingham, 136½, was declared the winner over Tony Mulholland, Birmingham, 136½, in the fourth, when the latter was ruled out for alleged butting.

▶BELFAST . . . Paddy O'Callaghan, Dagenham, 146, outpointed Sam Thompson, 146¾, in a hectic eight. Paddy's younger brother Johnny O'Callaghan, 122, was well beaten by Paddy Kelly, Derry, 126, when the bout was stopped in the fourth. In all, Callaghan took FOURTEEN counts during the four rounds, four of these were in the first round. It seems that the referee wanted to give the fans their moneys worth.

Al Sharpe, Belfast, 136¾, had an easy task in defeating Roy Sanlon, Belfast, 126¾, who was well beaten in the second, when the referee stopped the bout. . . . Trevor Martin, Bangor, 131½, outpointed Joe Sharpe, Belfast, 131¾, in eight.

▶LIVERPOOL . . . Dave Charnley, Dartford, 139¼, British Lightweight Champion, took part in his first bout since his illness against Jimmy Croll, Dundee, 145¾, and proved beyond doubt that he has NOT lost any of his lustre. He waded into the heavier opponent in no light-hearted manner fro mthe first gong. Charnley is a replica of the former World's Featherweight Champion, Freddie Miller, for he can deliver a right with precision which hurts when connected to his opponent's head or body. . . . Croll was no exception, he gamely took all that Charnley could deal out. The Scot's seconds at the end of the fourth, wisely called it a day, for Croll was in no shape to continue.

David Croll, Dundee, 127, stopped Eddie Burns, Liverpool, 126½, in the seventh, when the referee intervened to save a game lad from further punishment. Alf Cottam, Preston, 131½, stopped George Mason, Bootle, 130, in the fifth after a great scrap, Mason received cuts on both eyes, which forced him to retire.

Bill Boyd, Birkenhead, 161, was too strong for Trevor Sykes, Huddersfield, 159, who received severe punishment before the referee intervened in the fourth. . . . Tony Smith, Bootle, 150, stopped George Eastham, Preston, 150½, in the third. Richie Edwardson, Bootle, 146½, outpointed Gerry Bedford, Pontefract, 146, in four.

▶WEMBLEY . . . Derek Lloyd, Chingford, former Amateur Flyweight Champion, 112¼, outpointed Mick Barone, Brixton, 112½, in a spirited six. Al Beriti, Glasgow, 160, knocked out Ron Garnett, Earlsfield, 163½, in 2 mins. 20 secs. of he first round.

Billy Kiernan, Hammersmith, 146½, easily outpointed Dave Bottomley, Leicester, 145, in six. Maxie Beech, Chiswick, 160¼, made it seven without defeat, when he stopped Bob Anderson, Shepherds Bush, 160½, in the fifth.

Derek Walker, Chiswick, 155, made a successful debut in the professional ranks with a knock out over Jim Tunney, Ireland, 156¾, in the fourth.

Johnny Summers, Islington, 137½, knocked out George Hiriat, Christchurch, 132, in the first. Fitzroy Lindo, Trinidad, 154¾, outpointed Gordon White, Kennington, 155, in six.

▶MIDDLESBOROUGH . . . George Bowes, the West Hartlepool bantamweight, brought off a sensational victory when he knocked out Frank Jones, Plean, British flyweight Champion in 2.20 of the first round. As they shaped up at the first gong, it was Jones who took the initiative scoring with left hooks to Bowes' head, but the latter, as Jones was about to use another left hook, Bowes alert, saw the opening, shot a quick right to the Champ's jaw and another left hook followed by a right, as he was falling, put Jones on his back with referee James Folland counting the fatal ten. It was the best performance of Bowes since his professional debut, and his 14th bout.

▶HARRINGAY ARENA, LONDON . . . Brian London, Blackpool, 207, threw a monkey wrench into the world's heavyweight ratings, with a spectacular five round win over the third ranking challenger, Willie Pastrano, America, 189½, when referee Jack Hart decided, after inspection, that it would be dangerous for Pastrano to continue with a badly cut left eye, and stopped the bout in favor of London. The cut eye happened in the second round after London had chased Willie "The Wisp" round the ring throwing all kinds of punches at the shifty American.

Many people thought that the referee should have let the bout continue, but the Board of Control doctor stated that the referee acted with good judgment, for Pastrano had a cut over two inches long on the eyelid, and it was very deep.

London went all out from the first gong to crowd and hustle Pastrano with ruthless bullying punches to the head obviously having learned his lesson from their first encounter, when I wrote that I thought London deserved the decision.

On this occasion London made his 18½ pounds pay, for in the third round, he almost threw the American through the ropes, in trying to break out of a clinch. Pastrano, not to be denied, fought back magnificently, but was handicapped by the dangerous cut on the eyelid. On my scorecard when the bout ended, Brian London was ahead on points. . . . It was a strange sight to see an Englishman fighting in the American aggressive style. He outslugged the American who was boxing in the orthodox English style.

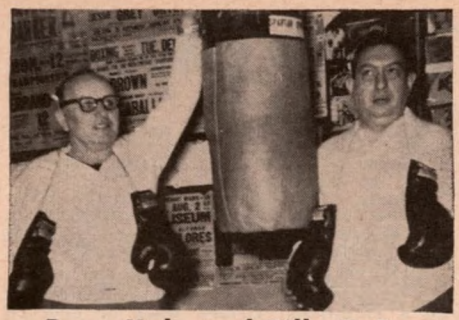
Before the main event, we were treated to a bout that will be talked for many a day. Terry Downes, Paddington, 158½, age 22, who learned his fighting in the United States Marines, won the vacant British Middleweight crown when he forced referee Bill Williams to intervene in his favor in the thirteenth to save a game lad from taking further punishment. Downes's opponent was Phil Edwards, Welsh middleweight Champion, 158¼, who was "Gameness Personified". The Welshman could only claim one round —the first. Readers of "THE RING" Magazine, will remember the remarks I made after seeing Downes in action in his professoinal debut, seventeen months back. I wrote of him as "The Crashing Dashing Terry Downes" with apologies to Ted "Kid" Lewis, who was so named by the leading American Sports writers some Forty Years ago. Terry is the most colorful fighter we have in these British Isles in months.

The opening bout over six rounds, saw the appearance of Tony French, Woking, 149, age 16½, who was making his debut in the big shows. The youngster outpointed Mick Davis, Waltamstow 145, in a grand bout that had the crowd cheering him on for his ability to fight back in some awkward moments. If this youngster will be allowed to grow and not kept down to any division, he can develop into a promising heavyweight. I am sure his mentor George Middleton, who handles Turpin will not rush this prospect along too quickly.

Johnny Kidd, Aberdeen, 132½, outpointed Ronnie Rush, Cardiff, 135¾, in eight.

Phil Williams, Wales, 150¼, did well to defeat Paddy O'Callaghan, Dagenham, in the fourth, when referee Terry Little, intervened when O'Callaghan received a badly cut eye.

Dave Stone, Battersea, 137¾, stopped Derek Clarke, Burnley, 136, in the third. . . . Basil Kew, Putney, 185½, defeated Maxie Earle, Leamington, 203, in the fourth, when the latter was disqualified.



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LEW JENKINS GIVES HIMSELF HELL

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War II experience, had a rugged assignment on Hill 773, to be immortalized as Bloody Ridge.

"We had been assigned to move up the hill with a ROK regiment. They were the strength but they failed and our two companies, Fox and George, were cut off.

"Things went from bad to worse when we tried to hold. Finally, when I was playing a game of hearts with my commander, a nice man from Chicago, the word came: 'Take off as best you can, you're being hit.' Nobody had to tell us that, the gooks were shooting us up from every side."

The next few hours were literally hell as 17 survivors of an original 160 men sought refuge in a creek bottom.

"We'd dive under and stay there until our breath ran out. When we had to come up, they'd pin point us again. Some of our poor guys got so tired they didn't give a damn, they flopped up on the shore and the gooks just shot them to pieces . . . . somehow I lived."

Lew dragged himself up a draw and just then he spied two Koreans, one firing a rifle. *"This is it,"* he remembered telling himself, *"I can't go a step further."* But, to his surprise, the Korean ran to his side and said, *"Papasan, tired?"* Instantly he realized that this was a South Korean intending to help him. Lew responded by manning a machine gun and he helped save the day.

This action won for Jenkins a Silver Star. It also won for his wife Lupie a prize for misplaced intuition. It had been his custom to write her daily. During the action at Bloody Ridge and late Hill 1179, also known as the Punch Bowl, he didn't write for ten days. The first letter that got through from Lupie after that said: *"Darling, I haven't heard from you. I hear there's some tough going at Bloody Ridge. I don't suppose you were anywhere near it."*

But her Lew came home sound as could be and they had a chance to be together with their growing son at various stations . . . . Puerto Rico, Hawaii and Korea again (with the live war cooled down) . . . then Fort Ord in California.

In between he had a yen to try the Airborne. With a resigned nod from Lupie, he went off to Fort Benning, Ga., for special training. Before he'd even got into his formal course, a friend dared him to jump from a 34 foot training tower. Nobody dares Lew.

Jenkins became a proficient parachute jumper. *"It's a great thing,"* he glowed, *"you feel like you own the world when you jump through space."*

Now his job is that of instructor to recruits at Fort Ord in basic infantry maneuvers. *"I like these boys,"* he maintained. *"They're different from what rookies were when I first came in but you handle them right and they will become good soldiers."*

He looks on boxers in much the same way. *"You can't make good fighters out of kids today by screaming at them; you've got to explain things and let them ask questions."*

This sensible, reasoned conversation Jenkins of old. Where once recklessness ruled, he now is poised and purposeful in what he says or does.

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NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH

By Ike Morales

RALPH DUPAS WAS BACK IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT—among the welterweights, that is—following two 10-round victories within three weeks.

The 22-year-old Dupas returned to the ring after suffering a knockout by Joe Brown in their lightweight title bout at Houston, Tex. Ralph outpointed Johnny Gorman of Brooklyn in a fight that was far from being a thriller. The long layoff, no doubt, had something to do with Dupas' performance, despite the fact that he was an easy winner.

Ralph's next fight was against Ray Lancaster, a comparative unknown to Southern boxing fans. An aggressive, tough hombre, Lancaster of Philadelphia proved no match for Dupas, who looked like the Ralph Dupas of old. Both tenners were staged in the Coliseum arena under the co-promotion of Bonnie Geigerman and Heard Ragas.

Against Lancaster, the speedy Dupas appeared to be at his best. There was no doubt that the Gorman fight put Ralph on edge, and now that he has brushed by Lancaster, Ralph should be ready for more lucrative fights among the 147 pounders.

For his fight with Gorman, Ralph weighed 144¼ pounds. He appeared slow at this poundage, although his punches were sharper. In the Lancaster fight, Ralph came down to 141¼, his best weight. Ralph not only boxed rings around Lancaster, but outpunched his less-experienced but heavier foe who scaled in at 144¼ pounds.

Dupas tossed so many punches during a number of exchanges, that Lancaster was in a high state of confusion and frustration. Ralph suffered a small cut below his left eye, while Lancaster was bleeding from a cut on his forehead.

Only 1250 fans who paid a net gate of $2380 turned out for the show.

Two of the officials—Judges Eddie Kid Wolfe and Pete Giaruso—tabbed all 10 rounds for Dupas, while Referee Augie Lapara saw it 9-0-1 for Ralph. My score sheet had Dupas on top, nine rounds to one.

Jimmy Lane, 146, gave Don Jones, 152¼, a terrific pasting in the six-round semi-final. Lane dropped Jones from a left hook in the first round, but was unable to floor the Michigan boy after that. Jones appeared far from top condition.

Roger Ettiene, 144, won over Chaffee Reyna, 146, in one of three four rounders. In other prelims, Frank Evans, 146¼, whipped Mervin Moore, 142½, while Frankie Savoie, 134¾, spoiled Pancho Rios' pro debut with a third round TKO. Rios weighed 133½ pounds.

▶A one-in-a-million event occurred in one of the prelims to the Dupas-Gorman fight in the Coliseum. It was a double-knockout in the scheduled four rounder between Jitterbug Smith and Ralph Espinia. Jitterbug, who gave Ralph Dupas and Maxie Docusen their first four-round testings as a pro and who remains a four rounder after these many years, chopped down Espinia in the third round.

Jitterbug Smith, a clown fighter at best, failed to go to a neutral corner as he floored Espinia, but sat down while Referee Pete Giaruso was counting out the fallen fighter. The fans were in stitches as the referee, who apparently wanted to get into the act, announced that since Jitterbug was sitting on the canvas during the count, the fight must be recorded as a double-knockout.

Phil David, 119¼, stopping Danny Gonzales, 120½, in the second round. It was David's pro debut. Frank Savoie, 131, stopped Tony Perez, 131, in four, while Frankie Evans, 146½, kayoed Joey Perey, 154, in two.

▶Dave Dupas' quick rise up the ring ladder tumbled at the Coliseum arena where the local boy was stopped in the eighth round by the veteran Arthur Persley. In eighth, the Red Cross, La., veteran rocked Dave with hooks and uppercuts and when young Dupas was unable to defend himself from the shower of punches, Referee Ernie Cajoe promptly and wisely halted the contest. The time was 2:05 of the eighth round.

Dave not only suffered the sting of defeat from Persley's power, but was handed a $25 fine by the Louisiana Boxing Commission for reporting late at the weighing-in ceremonies, and for scaling four pounds over the contracted weight.

Dupas came in at 144 to 136¼ pounds for Persley. Dave was reported to have "shaved off" four pounds after the noon-day weigh-in.

The entire card of five bouts—promoted by Bonnie Geigerman and Heard Ragas—was riddled with knockouts. In fact, the first four prelims were completed in 26 minutes.

Willie George hung the kayo drops on Joshua O'Neil in one minute, 15 seconds of the opening round. Both weighed 156¾ pounds.

George "Sugar" King, 153½, now living in Jefferson Parish, returned to the ring to score a technical knockout over Larry Osbey, 164, in 2:09 of the second round. It was an interesting slugfest from the opening bell, and because of their all-out effort, the promoters awarded each an extra $5.

Sammy Davis, 135, had too many guns for Johnny Clark, 133, flattening the latter in 2:35 of the opening round. Thunderbird Jones, 207, took the count in a sitting position against the ropes, 2:30 of the first round, when Johnny Johnston, some 20 pounds lighter, caught his foe with a hard right to the jaw.

▶Lack of new material prompted Bonnie Geigerman and Heard Ragas to stage a "Talent Show" in the hopes of developing budding prospects for the future. The show in the Coliseum included a scheduled program of three eight-rounders and a four-round preliminary.

The outcome proved that Jimmy Lane, a protege of "Whitey" Schulingkamp, is a tough hombre, a durable performer and one who relishes a punch exchange. Jimmy, 145, outpunched Carlton Wilson, 145½, of Mobile, in the most interesting fight.

Lane and Wilson rocked and socked each other throughout the eight rounds, with one and then the other getting the advantage. But Lane's short hooks to the head and body gave him a good margin at the finish of their eight rounder and with it the unanimous decision of the three officials.

Although the fight was a hummer, only 564 customers who paid a net $725.63, turned out for the show.

Joe Dorsey, local light-heavyweight at 174 pounds, had too much of everything, including height, weight, reach and experience, for Ike Stewart, 169. The fight, also scheduled for eight, ended in the fifth when Dorsey bombarded Stewart with a two-fisted attack, sending the latter to the canvas for keeps in one minute and 55 seconds. Dorsey also floored Stewart in the third with a hard right to the kisser.

After suffering three knockdowns in the third round and soundly trounced in the earlier rounds, Duke Malone, hard-punching Mobile welterweight, came back to stop Larry Armstead in the sixth of a scheduled eighter.

It was the third and "rubber" match between the rivals.

The three knockdown rule ending a fight is not observed in Louisiana, and it was a good thing for the Mobile boy inasmuch as he was down three times from blows in the third round.

The three knockdowns in the third appeared to sharpen up Malone for the kill. He came out of his corner in the fourth and rocked Armstead with murderous hooks and right crosses. The end came in 2:55 of the sixth round.

Charles Salmon scored a fourth round technical knockout over Chico Gomez in the opening prelim.

MARYLAND'S MERRY MAULERS

By Joe Poodles, Sr.

THE CIVIC BOXING CLUB PRESENTED ITS INITIAL offering to the Baltimore fans at the Baltimore Coliseum, where Tony Anthony, 178, of New York City scored a nine round TKO over Archie McBride, of Trenton, N. J., who had an eight pound pull in the weights. Although Anthony scored five knockdowns, the fans were not disappointed in McBride's showing as the Jerseyite kept the fans on edge throughout the bout.

Promoters Johnny Attell and Bernie Feikin were very much pleased with the turnout that contributed a net gate of $2,459.26 and in turn the fans more than got their moneys worth with the overall action on the entire card with the able matchmaking of Danny Frush, who in the 1920's was one of Baltimore's famed ringmen.

Rudy Watkins scored a good win in the semi-windup bout over Nat Dixon, of New York city in six rounds of sustained action, in a heavyweight brawl. Dixon looks like a good heavyweight and a comer.

Johnny Ford, Baltimore middleweight, scored a three round TKO over Floridian, Tommy Fields who now makes his home in Baltimore.

Johnny Gilden scored his second pro win by taking a unanimous four round decision over Andre Lucas in a bout that had the fans on edge throughout this welterweight hectic thriller.

Lightweight Richie Argo survived some lusty walloping by Ray Pressley to score a three round TKO.

Steve Haywood won a four round duke from Salty Parker in a close hard fought bout.

Welterweights Johnny Kaleo and Milton Staton fought a four round draw in both lads bow in the pro ranks. These lads are Baltimoreans.

BUFFALO, N. Y.

By Hugh Shannon

PROMOTER JUNIOR SINGER WHO WAS MATCHMAKER for the old Hudson Club for several years, has switched his operations to Canada where he staged a number of shows at the Fort Erie arena. Singer made a little money and at the same time furnished some red-hot bouts.

Promoter Singer's final summer show was staged on September 30th at the Fort Erie arena. In the final bout, Rocky Fumerella of Buffalo, flattened Jimmy James of Little Rock, Ark. in one minute and thirty-five seconds. In a companion match Jackie Donnelly, 22-year-old South Buffalo star, stopped Bobby Lees of Fort Wayne, Ind. in one round. Three other bouts rounded out a fast-moving card. About 1500 fans were on hand.

▶HERE AND THERE . . . Jimmy Mack, former trainer for Jimmy Duffy, Dick Loadman and Knockout Nrennan, is now trainer for the Montefiore Club here. During the past twenty-five years, Mack has trained the Buffalo Bisons and Newark Bears teams in the International League. The Courier-Express is mapping plans for another Golden Gloves amateur tournament. . . . Finals will be in December.

▶WRESTLING—Promotor Pedro Martinez is running wrestling shows every Friday night at Buffalo's Memorial auditorium. . . . Pedro also has clubs in operation at Syracuse, Erie, Pa. and Rochester. His address is 300 Main Street, Buffalo.

IN OLD NEW ENGLAND

By Don Hamill

BOSTON GARDEN—WORLD'S FEATHERWEIGHT CHAMPION HOGAN (Kid) Bassey, 128¼, Nigeria, stopped Willie Pep, 129, Hartford, Conn., in the ninth round of their non-title bout. For seven rounds the veteran Pep was master of the situation as he outmaneuvered Bassey and scored with rapid fire jabs and hooks. In the eighth, Bassey gave up trying to outbox Pep and waged a relentless body attack. In the ninth, Pep was dropped twice by overhand rights before Referee Jimmy McCarron intervened.

Joe DeNucci, 163¾, Newton, outroughed Johnny Cunningham, 156, Baltimore, Md., to win the decision in eight rounds. Billy Ryan, 173, Lowell, experienced little difficulty starching Willie Wilson, 166, New York, in the second round of another eight spot. In a third eight rounder, Eddie Connors, 151, Sharon, won himself a match with Tony DeMarco by stopping Dennis Goslow, 150¾, Worcester, in the third heat. Ola Michael, 136¾, Nigeria, stablemate of Bassey, gained a six round decision over Pep's sparmate, Al King, 139¼, Bristol, Conn. John Gagliardi, 154, Medford, outpointed Jimmy Swaringer, 149¾, Boston, in four rounds, while in the opener, also a four, Dick DiVola, 127½, Charlestown, belted out Jackie Lyons, 127, Quincy, in the first.

▶Providence — Arcadia Ballroom—Gordon Parker, Athol lightweight, and Irish Pat McCoy of Galway, Ireland, were slated for a main event. Both fighters weighed in in the afternoon but at fight time, Parker was among the missing. Two prelims were shown before the card was cancelled. Parker later revealed at a commission hearing that he had been approached and threatened. He became panicky and took a bus out of town.

Tommy Garrow, 140, Claremont, N. H., outhustled veteran Al Duarte, 145, New Bedford, in a six rounder, and Chico Fisher, 145, Boston, came off the floor in the first round to flatten Frankie Toto, 146, Providence, in the second heat of a four, in the two bout's staged.

▶Providence — Arcadia Ballroom—George Araujo, 140, Providence, won his third comeback bout by taking an impressive well-earned unanimous decision in ten rounds over tough Pat McCoy, 137½, Ireland. The stocky Irishman had held Araujo to a split unpopular decision in their first bout but this time was clearly beaten. Araujo boxed well, kept his left in McCoy's face constantly, and crossed over frequent rights.

Dick D'Orsi, 165½, Providence, needed only 30 seconds to dispose of Joe Greene, 162, New York, in the eight round semi-final. Willie Greene, 160, Providence, stopped Lee Williams, 158, Boston, in the second round of a six spot. Tommy Garrow, 138½, Claremont, KO'd Joe Dodi, 140, Pottsville, Pa., in the third round of a sixer with a right to the body. George Ross, 140, Hartford, gained a unanimous decision in a four rounder from Jimmy O'Malley, 143½, Boston.

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MINNESOTA NEWS
By Billy Colbert

ISRAEL GINSBERG, FORMER GOLDEN GLOVES AND PRO FIGHTER, died recently. He was 44 years old. He was a very good flyweight and bantam around the Twin Cities about 25 years ago. Jack O'dowd, brother of the former champion Mike, also died.

▶ St. Paul Auditorium—Del Flanagan, in fine condition and fighting at his best, won a decision over Virgil Akins, St. Louis welterweight champion in ten rounds at the St. Paul Auditorium. Flanagan won an upset victory. Even before the verdict was announced the fans rose to their feet and gave Flanagan a great ovation. A crowd of 5,242 persons paid a gate of $24,334.68.

German refugee Heinz Koppe from Winnipeg got off the floor from a first round knockdown to score a technical knockout over Gene Touissaint of St. Paul in 1:20 of the fourth round. Koppe had Touissant groggy and reeling when referee Jimmy Perault stopped it.

Jim McNamara, the clown of Twin Cities boxing, ruined the pro career of Young Joe Rouiz, So. St. Paul at the end of the second round, a third round kayo.

A scheduled eight rounder lasted less than one round when Kid Chocolate of Chicago said he had enough of punishment at 2:40 of the stanza against Joe Reynolds of St. Louis.

IN AND AROUND CHICAGO
By Lenny Myers

TIGER JONES CAME THROUGH IN HIS USUAL GOOD STYLE BY stopping Mickey Crawford in the tenth and final round at Chicago Stadium. Mickey hit the deck three times before the end came. The Tiger was much too tough for the light punching Crawford who crumbled before some heavy wallops. The bout was nationally televised and presented by the International Boxing Club.

Abe Linnear, 157, Chicago, beat Clarence Riley, 157, in six fast rounds. Ted Meeks, 160, Chicago, defeated Herman Witfield, 156, in a four round event. Jerry Jordan, 145, Chicago, stopped Cecil Coutney, 143, in two heats. Ray Walker, 133, and Freddy Jackson, 132, drew in four rounds. Joe Hemphill, 188, Chicago, kayoed Dave Shoulders, 193, in the fifth round.

▶ Sonny Ray, 171, Chicago, made his television debut a huge success at the Chicago Stadium by scoring a knockout over Jesse Bowdry, 173, St. Louis, in the ninth round of their scheduled tenner. Bowdry had a good lead going into the fifth round but weakened and Ray came on to score the kayo.

Ernest Terrell, 191, Chicago, stopped Joe Hemphill, 187, in the first round of a scheduled eight round event. Jesse Smith, 160, stopped Abe Linnear, 156, in three rounds. Ray Walker, 134, beat Ricky Austin, 137, in a fast four spot. Eddie Perkins, 138, Chicago, scored an upset knockout victory over Cecil Shorts, in one heat. Robert Scott, 145, defeated Bobby Brooks, 145, in a lively four spot.

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INDIANA RING ITEMS
By Joe French

INDIANAPOLIS—PROMOTER AL FARB PRESENTED A pleasing fistic program at Victory Field before 2500 fans who braved 40 degree weather to witness the outdoor show, which was staged for the benefit of the Police Athletic League. In the feature, Franz Szuzina, rugged middleweight from Germany, scored a unanimous ten round decision over Randy Sandy of New York. Although cut on the forehead in the first round, Szuzina forged ahead and piled up points at close quarters. The German was credited with a knockdown in the fifth heat.

In supporting bouts, Kirth Vance, 161, Indianapolis, decisioned Theodore Simmons, 166½, also local, in a four spot. Vern Lee, 136, Indianapolis, scored in six rounds over Ivan Keeling, 137, Cincinnati. Tom Leeper's prospect, Leon Rosano, 147, Indianapolis, appeared in the only bout which failed to go the distance. Rosano stopped Billy Martin, 147½, Louisville, in two sessions. Jimmy Welch, the veteran Columbus, O., warrior, weighing 158½, dropped a six rounder to Andy Anderson, 152¾, of Indianapolis.

PITTSBURGH PUNCHES
By Mickey Davies & Lou Caponi

McKEESPORT—PROMOTER BENNY ANOLIK MADE ANOTHER STAB at promoting in this town, but only 545 of the fistic faithful showed up to witness the proceedings. No question about it, Benny lost dough on the venture, as the show grossed only $1143.

The main-mixup found hometown boy Jimmy Chavis, winning over Canonsburg's Don Alderson in ten. It was just a so-so fight until the 9th frame, when Chavis decided that Alderson didn't have the big guns to do much damage, and won the last two heats by a big margin. They are welters.

The semi-windup provided much action with Hill lightweight Henry Hickman losing a close one to capable Cleveland lightie, Solomon Boysaw. Hickman was decked in the fourth round, but came back to give the Buckeye battler quite a tussle.

Tommy Schafer, 136, former National GG champion making his pro debut, stopped Billy Cooper, 137, in 4 rounds. Corny Rodgers, 218 Youngstown, beat Ronnie Lane, 174, New Brighton, Pa. (4). Jackie Matesic, 134, Pittsburgh, knocked out Hurricane Carter, 128, Pittsburgh (3).

▶ QUICKIES—Lou Caponi has a splendid looking youngster in Tommy O'Connor, Mick lightie . . . Ringsiders in Reno thought that Art Swiden deserved the nod over hometown boy Howard King . . . The Pittsburgh heavy is in the best shape of his carreer and manager Bunny Buntag has some big things in line for him . . . Welterweight Reybon Stubbs, one of the best bets in the nation is now boxing out of Los Angeles.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

SOUTHPAW KENNY LANE, OF MUSKEGON, LOST NO TIME in returning to the win column after his attempt to dethrone lightweight champion Joe Brown, when he punched out a unanimous decision over Orlando Zulueta. The bout was staged at Muskegon's Catholic Central Stadium and was sponsored by the Muskegon Fraternal Order of Eagles drawing over 5,000 fans.

Lane, who is noted as a clever counterpuncher, foiled Zulueta when he carried the fight to his Cuban opponent throughout the majority of the ten rounds. Neither fighter was down, but Kenny finished with a cut over his left eye and over the right ear. The victory was Lane's third straight over Zulueta, and his 56th in 62 starts.

All three officials voted for Lane: Referee Charley Zagarolli 49–42; Judge Bob Dilley 48–42; and Judge Wes Tebeau 47–43.

Welterweight Billy Collins, of Detroit, stopped Vern Patterson, of Chicago, in two; Donnie Peters, Detroit lightheavy, halted Sugar Boy Melton, of Chicago, in three; Mario Sienz, Saginaw middleweight, edged Johnny Walls, of Chicago, in four; and Carolos Coulter, Chicago welterweight, bested Tommy Johnson, of Detroit, in four.

An oddity developed in a five round windup bout. Young George Dixon, of Chicago, was down several times and then the ring fell apart for Saginaw lightheavy Jimmy Wright, his opponent. During the third round the ropes collapsed and the ring lamp fell down. As a result the bout had to be stopped and what appeared to be an easy victory for Wright was ruled "No Contest."

▶ A mild upset was registered in the first promotional venture of the combination of Al St. John's and Jimmy Riely, when Johnny Palmer, 136, Indianapolis, halted Charley Smith, 135, Detroit, at 1:50 of the ninth round of a real thriller.

Boxing fans attending the show at the Toledo Sports Arena were treated to a terrific exhibition of boxing and punching by Palmer. Smith, a torrid puncher in his own right, found Johnny a difficult target to tag. Johnny dropped Smith in the second and seventh rounds. In the midst of an all out rally in the ninth by Smith, Palmer caught Charley again with a robust right hand to climax a sensational bout that had the crowd on its feet cheering from the opening bell. What a hit Palmer made!

Knockouts of the sensational variety were plentiful on the undercard as well. Promising Ernest "Sonny" Hill, 161, Toledo, planted a timely right hand to the midsection of Sonny Lee, 160, Erie, Pa., then caught him flush on the jaw for the finish at 2:55 of the second. Leroy Jeffery, 128, Detroit, and Lorenzo Patterson, 132, Columbus, engaged in a real slug-fest until Leroy found the range on Patterson's jaw. Leroy connected with a series of left hooks and Lorenzo took the full count on one knee at 2:05 of the second.

Popular Jimmy Pettaway, 128, Toledo, made his pro debut a success by halting rugged Jimmy Steeves, 125, Quebec City, at 1:30 of the third and Carl Beaver, 187, Toledo, flattened Al Adams, 195, Louisville, Ky., at 2:45 of the opening frame.

▶ 'Twas a cool, cool evening for promoter Tony Bellisario's debut outdoors at Pontiac's Wismer Stadium. Guided by Jack Laken, Johnny Ferro and Bill Martin, Bellisario's first fistic venture was headed by three, eight rounders featuring Wilf Greaves, Henry Hank and Gene Gresham. Greaves, the Canadian middleweight champion, had an easy time with often beaten Eddie O'Hara, of Milwaukee, in a crudely fought match that featured more wrestling than boxing and eventually was stopped at the end of the seventh round by referee Tom Briscoe.

Henry Hank, Detroit middleweight, who thrives on activity, eliminated an old troublemaker in Leffie Walker, of Saginaw. Walker was making his first start after a 14 month layoff. Although on the short end of some entertaining exchanges, Walker gave the fans a real run for their money. However, midway through the sixth round Leffie had enough and Hank scored a knockout.

The speedy Gene Gresham, Detroit lightweight, scored his second KO in six starts since returning home from the west-coast where he won seven straight bouts, when he stopped Buddy Harris, of Pontiac, in the eighth round. This was Harris' first fight in 2½ years.

A special six-round attraction produced some real good action between featherweights Leroy Jeffrey of Detroit, and Cleso Hidalgo, of Mexico City, with Jeffery winning the decision.

In a pair of fours, Irish Billy Collins, former National Amateur Champion, scored an easy two round workout KO over Jimmy Sparks, of Detroit, and heavyweight Paul Bailey, of Detroit, halted Floyd Harris, of Pontiac, in the third.

▶ Spotting his opponent 7½ pounds, didn't stop Forrest Foster's classy lightweight protege, Gene Gresham, of Detroit, from gaining his 14th straight victory at Louisville, Ky., over Leon Rosana, of Indianapolis, in an eight rounder.

On the same card, hard punching Henry Hank, Detroit middleweight, stopped Charley Glover, of Cincinnati, in the opening stanza, and clever Billy Collins, Detroit welterweight, nodded Irvin Keeling, of Cincinnati, in a four.

▶ After a short layoff, Saginaw welterweight Mickey Crawford will switch his training quarters back to Detroit. For the past year Art Greenwald has had his classy protege doing his chores in Pleasantville, N. J.

MCKEESPORT BOXING
By Alan Anolik

BOXING PROMOTER BEN ANOLIK WENT BACK TO McKEESPORT to present his first card since the place almost burned down last spring.

Jimmy Chavis, home-town welterweight won the 10 round main event from Don Alderson of Canonsburg.

The eight round semi-final was a lively bout in which Henry Hickman, Pittsburgh, lost a unanimous decision to undefeated Solomon Boysaw of Cleveland, Ohio. (Lightweights)

Tommy Schaefer, former national Golden Gloves and All-Service lightweight champion from Blawnox, put on a stirring comeback to win his first pro fight by a fourth-round TKO over Willie Cooper of Wheeling, West Virginia.

Cornelius Rodgers of Youngstown decisioned Dick Blackson of Aliquippa in a heavyweight bout. (4 Rounds)

Alex Ford, another Youngstowner decisioned Ronnie Lane of New Brighton, Pa. (4 Rounds)

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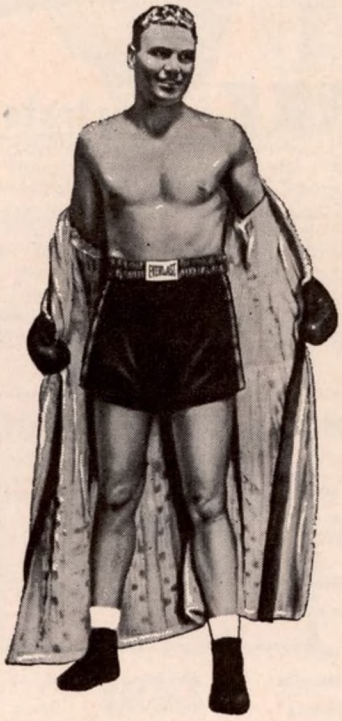

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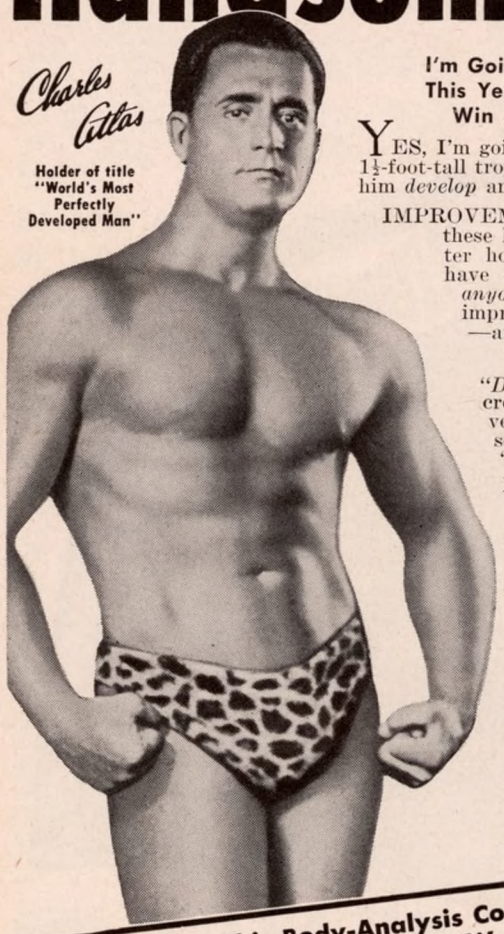

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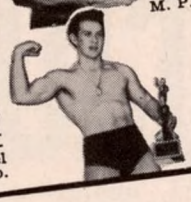

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